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GANDHI INTERVENES AS PEACEMAKER.

AVERTS CONFLICT WITH LAHORE POLICE.

LIBERALS BRING NEW SPIRIT TO POLITICAL SITUATION.

CO-OPERATION PLEDGE.

The liveliness pervading the Indian National Congress at Lahore almost expressed itself in a clash between the police and the volunteer guardians of peace and order, a serious situation being prevented by the personal intervention of Gandhi, who ordered the surrender of the trouble-makers to the police.

The so-called All-India Congress appears to have evolved into a tussle between the supporters of Gandhi, whose policy is regarded as too moderate, and the extreme Leftists who are believed to be overwhelmingly strong in the Full Congress.

An entirely different note has been sounded at the Conference of the Liberal Federation at Madras. Unanimous approval was given to a resolution by Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru welcoming the Viceroy's October Proclamation regarding Dominion Status, and pledging participation in the proposed round-table conference.

A special committee was later formed, with Sir Tej Sapru as its chairman, with the object of bringing into common deliberation all parties in India with the ideal of Dominion Status.

It is notable that the Conference recognised the necessity for safeguards during the period of transition.

GANDHI'S DIFFICULTIES.

Lahore, Dec. 30.

A serious collision between the police and the Indian "Volunteers," (the men charged by the All-India Congress with the maintenance of order during the conference), was only narrowly averted to-day by the personal intervention of Gandhi, the principal advocate of the creed of non-violence.

Two Volunteers assaulted two plain-clothes inspectors of the Criminal Investigation Department, the Volunteers alleging that the inspectors interfered with women.

Surrender Demanded.

A police detachment arrived at the camp and demanded the surrender of the Volunteers, but their colleagues were prepared to resist and a conflict seemed inevitable, when Gandhi appeared and advised the surrender of the Volunteers, which congress officials enforced.

The police detachment then withdrew and quiet was restored.

A monster meeting of the Sikh community was held outside the Fort to-day. It was originally planned as a demonstration against portions of the Nehru Report to the All-India Congress dealing with communal representation.

Sikh Demands.

But the Congress has now dropped the Nehru Report and the Sikh meeting was confined to speeches regarding their rights.

Kharak Singh, the President, and Amar Singh, the Chairman, declared that the Sikhs will fight to the bitter end to prevent communal government in the Punjab. They were prepared to make any sacrifice in the interests of the Congress provided they were assured of a representation of thirty per cent.

A procession was subsequently held through the city, headed by the President on an elephant.

Gandhi's Way.

The Subjects Committee, by the narrow margin of 114 votes to 113, defeated the amendment to Gandhi's resolution, moved by Kelkar, seeking to delete the expression of appreciation of the Viceroy's offer of a round-table conference. This vote was taken after two previous votes in favour of the amendment, the first by 115 to 111 and the second by 157 to 134. On each occasion, Gandhi's supporters demanded a recount, and finally secured the vote. The Opposition is trying to reverse the decision in the Full Congress and it is feared that the left-wingers will succeed.

The spirit pervading the All-India Congress is illustrated by the delegates' reception of Jawahar Lal Nehru's presidential address, at the conclusion of which they chorused, "Up, up the national flag, down, down with the Union Jack."—*Reuter.*

MORE SOBER VIEWS.

The Liberal Conference at Madras.

Madras, Dec. 30.

A far more sober view of the Indian political situation than is taken by the All-India National Congress at Lahore, is expressed in the National Liberal Federation Conference here.

This body to-day unanimously condemned the attempt on the life of the Viceroy, by the bombing of his train, and recorded its abhorrence and detestation of the crime, which was wholly repugnant to the spirit of Indian life and culture.

Liberals Pledged.

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, K.C.S.I., moved a resolution (approved by the Subjects Committee) welcoming the Viceroy's announcement of October 31st, as authoritatively confirming the view that Dominion Status for India was what was meant by the Declaration of 1917, as it definitely recognises that British India and the Indian States should form a greater United India and as it concedes to India the right to confer on a footing of equality with the British Cabinet on the form of the future constitution of India.

The resolution pledged the Liberals to participation in the contemplated round-table conference, strongly urged that it be held as early as possible in 1930, and that the progressive element in India should have the preponderant representation thereon.

Co-operation Urged.

Sir Tej Sapru entreated his countrymen not to reject the offer of the round-table conference merely because the Secretary of State for India and the Viceroy of India were unable to promise Dominion Status.

It was unthinkable that if there were some agreement among the Indians themselves that their demand would be rejected by any Government, much less a Labour Government.

What the Indian Liberals wanted was a Constitution giving

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NANKING LEADER ON EXTRALITY.

VIEWED AS DOMESTIC QUESTION!

AMERICA MAKES CLEAR HER INTENTIONS.

BRITAIN MORE WARY.

China's mandate announcing the abolition of extraterritoriality is engaging the attention of the foreign Powers and the United States Government has authorised the statement that stringent measures will be taken if American rights are infringed. The British Government is unwilling to believe that the Chinese Government is not prepared to negotiate with a view to gradual abolition.

A statement on the subject has been issued in Nanking by the Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang.

Nanking, Dec. 30.

The Foreign Minister to-day issued a statement regarding the abolition of extrality, saying:

"Extrality is no ordinary diplomatic problem. It touches the life of the Chinese in so many intimate ways that it must be considered by the Chinese Government as a domestic question of immediate moment.

China's Sovereignty.

"For this reason, the Government has been compelled to declare the actual process of re-establishing Chinese sovereignty by the abolition of extraterritorial rights. The abolition begins on January 1st."

"The Chinese Government," Dr. C. T. Wang continues, "relying on the sympathy already shown, and the assurances already given by the Powers concerned, believes that there is no real difference of opinion between the Powers and China regarding the principle involved and the Chinese Government is prepared to consider and discuss within a reasonable time, representations made in reference to the plan under preparation in Nanking.

Promoting Relations!

"The issuance of the extrality abolition mandate should be regarded as a step towards moving a cause of constant conflict and, at the same time, promoting relations between Chinese and foreigners."—*Reuter.*

Washington, Dec. 30.

President Hoover spent a long time to-day discussing China with Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, the newly-appointed American Minister to Peking, who is shortly leaving for the Far East.

State Department officials are not perturbed by Nanking's extrality decree.

Keep Off the Grass!

They declare that American Courts in China will continue to operate and while no provision is being made to protect American rights by force of arms, the United States is prepared to take stringent measures if their rights are infringed.

It is reported that the Government may abandon extrality rights in 1934, when the present treaty with China expires.—*Reuter's American Service.*

British Opinion.

London, Dec. 30.

Notwithstanding the mandate issued in Nanking, the Chinese Government have not yet denounced the extraterritoriality clauses of their treaties with His Majesty's Government.

It is, therefore, premature to pronounce any opinion as to what procedure may be contemplated by the Chinese Government.

The British Government recently made clear that they accepted the principle that the gradual relinquishment of the extrality privileges of British subjects in China should be considered as beginning from January 1st next, and it is assumed that the Chinese Government are prepared to enter into negotiations with this end in view.—*British Wireless.*

ALLEGED THREATS TO SHOOT.

SHIP'S OFFICER CHARGED AT KOWLOON TO-DAY.

NATHAN ROAD AFFAIR.

Mr. Walter Cahalne, ship's officer, of the s.s. Hai Ning, appeared before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of using threatening words whereby a breach of the peace might be occasioned.

In reply to his Worship, the defendant said he was afraid he knew nothing about the alleged incident.

Inspector Marks intimated that he had a doctor's certificate which would prove that the defendant had been drinking. The threats alleged against the accused were that he would shoot certain people. The prosecution asked for a remand until noon on Friday, the defendant to be granted bail in the sum of $500.

Continuing, Inspector Marks said that the defendant had undertaken, if granted bail, that he would not interfere with the people concerned.

His Worship said it was reasonable, although he was not in a position to say whether the charge would be substantiated, that the defendant should not interfere with the persons involved in the case.

The defendant asked if he were allowed to know who was accusing him.

Inspector Marks replied that the defendant would know that later.

His Worship said he supposed there had been more than one person threatened, although it was all one incident.

Inspector Marks:—Yes.

Reading from the charge, his Worship said that it stated that the incident had occurred on the staircase of 225, Nathan Road, but did not say how many people were concerned.

The defendant repeated that he would like to know who were accusing him; who were prosecuting.

Inspector Marks replied that the Captain Superintendent of Police was the prosecutor, as it was a police prosecution.

The defendant was remanded till Friday at noon, bail being granted in the sum of $500.

CONDITIONS OF NAVAL SERVICE.

Admiralty Officials to Visit Hongkong.

COST OF LIVING ENQUIRY.

Malta, Dec. 30.

Sir Vincent Baddeley, First Principal Assistant to the Admiralty, and Mr. A. S. Lemaitre, Private Secretary to the Permanent Secretary of the Admiralty, who have been on an official visit here since December 12th, have left for Colombo *en route* to Hongkong.

It is understood that they are enqiring into conditions of service abroad, cost of living, etc.—*Reuter.*

On enquiry in local naval circles this morning, we were informed that no intimation of the visit had been received in Hongkong.

HONGKONG LAUNCH IN COLLISION.

SINKS CHINESE CRAFT ON WEST RIVER.

News has been received in the Colony of a mishap which occurred at Shiuhing, a West River port, on Sunday, in which a Hongkong launch figured.

It appears that the British registered launch Tung On, owned by Hung Hing Tat, of Hongkong, collided with and sank a Chinese launch which had been commandeered by the military authorities.

The report makes no mention of any casualties.

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MARKED INCREASE IN YEAR'S PROFITS.

DIRECTORS TO REPLACE THE CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

TO-DAY'S MEETINGS.

Presiding at the annual general meeting of the Sandakan Light and Power Co. (1922), Ltd., Mr. R. G. Shewan was able to-day to place a very satisfactory report before shareholders. He stated that the profit on working showed an increase of approximately 60 per cent., and referred to hopes of reducing very considerably the balance now standing at debit of the General Profit and Loss Account.

At an extraordinary general meeting which followed, new Articles of Association were approved. These provided for the creation of a Board of Directors in place of the Consulting Committee, and in other respects brought the position into line with the general form of Articles now adopted by Companies in this Colony.

Chairman's Speech.

Addressing the shareholders at the ordinary annual meeting, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—The report and accounts for the twelve months ended 30th June last having been in your hands for the prescribed period, I propose, with your approval, to take them as read.

The profit on Working Account —$47,937.70—I am pleased to say shows an increase of approximately 60%, despite the fact that the total increase of energy sold last year was only 6%. This improvement is primarily due to a decrease in the cost per unit generated and to our having made liberal provision for depreciation on stores in the previous year.

After providing for depreciation on plant, etc., amounting to $48,-651.60, putting $2,577.95 to Sinking Fund for replacing the cost of our Concession, and charging Consulting Committee's and Auditors' Fees, loss on sales of old machinery, etc., there remains, after crediting interest ($992.21), a balance to debit of Profit & Loss Account of $10,015.92, transferred to General Profit & Loss Account, as per balance sheet. You will notice that we have depreciated again very heavily but our position, however, is made all the securer by adopting this policy.

Future Hopes.

The position shown by our Cash and Investments is very satisfactory, and the high premium on Straits dollars is helping to improve it even more, and I trust that next year we shall be in a position to reduce very considerably the balance of $82,951.43 now at debit of General Profit & Loss Account.

Our Manager at Sandakan reports that the anticipated extra load from the water works only began to show results at the close of our financial year. These will, however, gradually increase as the various mains and hydrants are laid and connected up. There is a slow but sure improvement in the number of small consumers, the increase for this year being 13 per cent., besides which we have on hand applications from 50 new customers.

Power For Coal.

Our high tension mains have been extended to the end of the Leila Road about a mile, to supply power to the Cowie Harbour Coal Company, who are prospecting the coal out-crops along the Leila Road. We understand that coal of good quality has been obtained, but it is too early to say definitely what the ultimate results will be. In the meantime, we are co-operating with the Coal Company by giving them a cheap supply of power at the headings.

Our Manager reports that during the year under review new and large main and auxiliary steam pipes have been erected and put into use, as well as the new feed water piping. These improvements were necessary in order to replace the old piping which was getting too small. The plant generally has been maintained in first-class condition, and preparations are now in

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HOAX OF CENTURY RECALLED.

M. LEON DAUDET'S ESCAPE FROM PRISON.

PRESIDENT'S PARDON.

Paris, Dec. 30.

The most ingenious hoax of the century is recalled by the official announcement that President Doumergue has pardoned the Royalist leader, M. Leon Daudet, who escaped from prison in June, 1927, as the result of a remarkably clever ruse by a young friend and supporter, and took refuge in Brussels.

Daudet's friend rang up the Governor of the Santé Prison, where Daudet was confined, and imitating the voice of M. Sarraut, the Minister of the Interior, ordered him to release M. Leon Daudet M. Delest, of the *Action Francaise*, and M. Semart, a young Communist, all of whom were in gaol for political offences.

All were set free and it was not until the following day that the trick was discovered. M. Semart was re-arrested a month later on the premises of the Syndicat Unitaire, and M. Delest retained his liberty a few months longer. Daudet got clear away.

The Governor of the prison was suspended by order of the Cabinet. —*Reuter.*

FIVE-POWER NAVAL CONFERENCE.

BRITISH & FRENCH PREMIERS TO MEET.

London, Dec. 30.

It is understood that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, who has been staying at Lossiemouth in Scotland during the Christmas holidays, will go to Chequers, the official country residence of the Premier, before returning to London for the opening of the Five-Power Conference on Naval Disarmament on January 21st.

The Premier wishes to have a talk with M. Tardieu, the French Premier, on the general scope of the Conference and the French Memorandum, and it is likely that a meeting of the two Premiers almost on the eve of the Conference will take place at Chequers.—*British Wireless.*

ANOTHER INDIAN INCIDENT.

DEMONSTRATION AGAINST GOVERNOR.

Ahmedabad, Dec. 30.

Members of the Youth and Independence Leagues demonstrated outside the railway station here on the arrival of Major General Sir Frederick Sykes, the Governor of Bombay. They waved black flags and shouted "Frederick Sykes Go Back!"

The Governor subsequently received addresses of welcome from the Municipality, the District Local Board and the Millowners' Association.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH MINISTER IN KABUL.

AN OLD HAND IN INDIA APPOINTED.

London, Dec. 30.

The King has approved the appointment of Mr. Richard Roy Maconnchie, C.I.E., of the Indian Political Department, to be His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at Kabul. The New Minister to Afghanistan was Counsellor of the British Legation at Kabul from 1922 to 1924.

Latterly, he has been political agent at Kurram on the North-West Frontier.—*British Wireless.*

3,000 RUSSIANS TO BE RELEASED.

FIVE MONTHS' DETENTION ENDS TO-DAY.

Tokyo, Dec. 30.

A message from Harbin states that 3,000 Soviet nationals will be released to-morrow, [illegible] after five months' detention at Harbin.—*Reuter.*

INSTONE BREWER COMMITTED.

CASE SUFFICIENT TO GO TO JURY.

LOAN TRANSACTIONS HELD FICTITIOUS.

"MISLEADING ITEMS."

Mr. Noel Instone, Brewer, barrister-at-law, and former President of the Instone Banking Corporation, was committed for trial on charges under the Perjury and Larceny Ordinances, at the Central Magistracy this morning, Mr. Grantham holding that the prosecution had made out a *prima facie* case.

In giving his decision, the Magistrate said he wished to make one or two observations before referring to the specific charges.

He pointed out that under the section it did not say that corroboration must consist of two witnesses, but it might be documentary, as they had in that case.

Important Points.

Speaking of the first charge, under the Perjury Ordinance, his Worship referred to the construction of the balance sheet and said it was important to bear in mind that the Statutory Report was filed nearly a year before the balance sheet which formed the basis of the ultimate charges. He also mentioned that the state of mind of the prisoner at the time of the alleged offences was an important and relevant point. They had to consider how he acted, what he did under the circumstances, and what resulted.

The Crown had made out a *prima facie* case against the accused in the matter of his filing of the Statutory Report of the Instone Banking Corporation, which he might have known was false in any particular.

Turning to the other two charges, his Worship said he considered the amount of cash in the actual possession of the Instone Banking Corporation accounted for a year, amounted to $48,000, whilst the remainder consisted of certain entries in the books, which the defence explained were transactions the same as cash.

Evidence For Jury.

Now, the evidence they had was that part of these loans were transferred to the Allotment and Suspense Account within a few months of their issue, and it was not an unreasonable inference that the transactions were fictitious. In this case he was satisfied that there was sufficient evidence to go before a jury.

His Worship dealt with items shown in the balance sheet as subscribed capital, accounts receivable and uncalled capital, saying that they were connected with $11,830 which the prosecution alleged was never allotted or issued, and that they were liabilities on the Company or the applicants. These three items were false. Applications were made on certain forms, part of which was left blank, and had not been filled in at all, although provision had been made in the Articles of the Company for a five per cent. deposit.

False Impression.

The defence said that these applications were allotted and that it was not unreasonable in view of the lien imposed on those shares to regard such shares as having been allotted.

He was satisfied that there had been no allotment and none had been issued. He was satisfied that the Crown had brought forward evidence to show that the items were not only misleading but they were false, giving a false impression of the financial position of the Company, and the uncalled capital should not [illegible] found on the asset side of the balance sheet.

Regarding the item [illegible] and long [illegible] $260,000 [illegible] $260,000 [illegible] between the [illegible]

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CHANGE OF CALENDAR

CHINESE MOVEMENT IN FAVOUR OF GREGORIAN.

At a recent meeting held by the Mayor of Greater Shanghai and his subordinates at the Municipality, it was decided to enforce the order issued recently by the National Government for the abolition of the lunar calendar and the observance of Gregorian year.

The measures decided upon for the enforcement of this order, according to the *Shunpao*, are:

(1) That a meeting be held at the municipality of Greater Shanghai at 9 a.m. on January 1, 1930, to celebrate the New Year and the 19th anniversary of the foundation of the Chinese Republic;

(2) That the Mayor be "at home" on New Year's Day to foreign consular officials;

(3) That New Year celebrations be held at the Shen Hua Yuan (Shen's Garden), next to the Pan Sung Garden, Nantao, in the afternoon, when all officials and employees of the Special Municipality and its subsidiary organs and their families will be admitted, free of charge, to enjoy a programme of entertainment presented by famous actors, and actresses;

(4) That more holidays be granted by the Mayor for the Gregorian New Year while none should be granted on Chinese New Year's Day;

(5) That an order be issued by the Commissioner of Social Affairs instructing all shops, factories, etc., to observe a holiday on January 1 and hoist the national and Kuomintang flags;

(6) That the members of the Greater Shanghai Bureau of Public Safety be ordered to prevent the residents and merchants from firing crackers and resorting to the practices that are common during the Lunar New Year season;

(7) That the various Chinese newspapers be forbidden to insert advertisements, notices or greetings regarding Chinese New Year celebrations;

(8) That the various Chinese public organizations be ordered to celebrate the Gregorian New Year, but not the Chinese New Year;

(9) That a grand review of the army, naval, and air forces be held on New Year's Day;

(10) That the advantages of observing the Gregorian calendars be widely propagated;

(11) That the common people be permitted to enjoy aeroplane rides in the 'planes of the Shanghai-Chengtu Air Service on New Year's Day upon the payment of a small fee; and

(12) That the Post Office be ordered to suppress the transmission of greeting cards for the Chinese New Year.

A Programme.

The following programme has been fixed by the local Kuomintang in observance of the New Year festival (solar system):

1. That a proclamation in the joint name of the Kuomintang and the Municipality of Greater Shanghai be issued to the effect that three holidays be observed in celebration of the New Year festival by people of all walks of life;

2. That flags be hoisted during the New Year festival, and salute be given by gunfire;

3. That, on the New Year Day, the Municipality of Greater Shanghai be asked to request the military and the naval authorities to hold a general inspection of their members and that the function be open to the general public; and

4. That propaganda literature in favour of the adoption of the solar system be distributed by aeroplanes.

The local Kuomintang has decided to prohibit, with the assistance of the Municipality of Greater Shanghai, the observance of lunar new year.

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CONSTABLE CHARGED.

ALLEGED ASSAULT ON A MARRIED WOMAN.

Testifying at the Central Police Court, before Mr. Hamilton, yesterday afternoon, in the case in which he was charged with assaulting and causing grievous bodily harm to Lo Chak, a married woman, (since deceased) living at No. 44 Tung Street, P. C. Pi Shih-hai, a Shantung constable, gave a complete denial of the charge.

He stated that while on duty at Hollywood Road, at one o'clock on the morning of December 2, he heard a woman's cry of "save life." Rushing into Tung Street, from where the cry proceeded, he was met by a woman who complained that she had been molested and struck by a man whom she did not know. She took witness to where she said she had seen the man disappear, and they found him sitting on a bed. Witness was on the point of taking the man thus pointed out to the Station, when Lo Chak, his mother, interfered. She followed the party to the Station and there falsely reported that witness had assaulted her.

The old woman has since died, her depositions as regards what happened being taken at the time of her death.

Cross-examining witness, Mr. L. R. Andrewes, prosecuting, suggested that witness had grown anxious as to what might happen to him at the hands of the large crowd that had been attracted to the spot, and that in consequence he struck and kicked out blindly, regardless of who might be around.

Witness maintained that it was entirely false that he struck the woman.

Li Kau-mui, a witness for the defence, stated that it was she who called in the assistance of the accused in the matter of her having been molested and struck by Lo Chak's son.

Interrogated by the Court, witness said she did not see the accused strike anyone.

At the close of the evidence, Mr. Hamilton said there was no evidence in support of the charge. Lo Chak's son, his Worship believed to be a young scoundrel, and on the other hand, there was no mark (beyond a small injury at the back of her head), to show that the old woman had been kicked in the abdomen. Her subsequent death, his Worship said, was due entirely to pneumonia.

The accused was acquitted.

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GALE AT HOME.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE IN BRITAIN.

London, Dec. 30.

The week-end storm battered the coasts of both Britain and Ireland and many lifeboats put out to assist shipping. The fishing fleets raced to safety, but it is known that at least six ships are in distress.

The aerial on the British Broadcasting Corporation's station at Chelmsford was blown down, while trees and roofs were smashed. Considerable havoc was caused to telephone lines.

The ports of Boulogne and Folkestone were closed. Extensive flooding occurred at Ulster, Welshpool and Montgomery, while the River Dee burst its banks near Corwen, north Wales, many cattle and sheep being drowned.—*Reuter.*

Damage on Land.

London, Dec. 30.

Yet another severe gale with gusts reaching a velocity of 83 miles an hour swept the British Isles, Northern France and the North Sea during the week-end. The wind moderated to-day, but unsettled conditions are likely to remain.

Tremendous seas were running in the English Channel and Straits of Dover, and lifeboat crews were kept standing by in case of emergency.

Considerable damage was done by the storm on land. In Manchester, in the height of the gale, the roof of a house collapsed, and a widow and her six-year-old daughter were buried under the wreckage and killed. Other members of the family had very narrow escapes.

Incessant rains have caused a recurrence of flooding in many districts, but the lower Thames levels were not appreciably higher. In the Oxford district, however, large stretches of water cover the low-lying meadows.

In east and north Yorkshire thousands of acres are covered with water, which is six feet deep.

In North Wales, many roads are again impassable. When the River Dee burst its banks near Corwen, yesterday morning, farmers lost many cattle and sheep despite all attempts at rescue.

Radio Station Suffers.

The storm carried away the aerial of the British Broadcasting Corporation short-wave station at Chelmsford.

Other stations worked normally, but the mishap at Chelmsford necessitated the abandonment of an arrangement for broadcasting, for American listeners, the Archbishop of Canterbury's sermon delivered last night at Canterbury Cathedral.—*British Wireless.*

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A large number of friends and parents were present at the Cathedral School for Boys in Shanghai on the closing day of the winter term. Sir Peter Grain presided. The above photograph shows one of the successful students receiving his certificate.

Miss Ann Sommers, director, and members of her Beauty Chorus in the Christmas pantomime, "Red Riding Hood" given by amateur players in Shanghai last night and again this evening.

"Sayonara." A glimpse of Mr. and Mrs Douglas Fairbanks just before they left Shanghai for Japan on the N.Y.K. liner Asama Maru.

An informal pose of Douglas Fairbanks, taken among the boy scouts at the recent Russian Ball at the Majestic Hotel.

Laura La Plante as she appears in "Show Boat."

The result of a three-day hunting trip on the Whangpoo. The sportsmen Colonel Lyman of the U.S. Marines, Major Drum, Captain Cates, Dr. Perez and Mr. D'Eca, of the Robert Dollar Company.

A charming wedding took place at Holy Trinity Cathedral on December 14, when Miss Edith Hammond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hammond, became the wife of Mr. John Ward.

Sizakova and Souvorin, clever dancers at the Cathay Hotel, Shanghai, who have been adding to the sum total of Christmas holiday entertainment in Shanghai.

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G. E. HUYGEN.

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MONDAY, the 6th January.

The Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

In accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the Transaction of Public Business on Wednesday, 1st of January, 1930, (New Year's Day).

Hongkong, 28th December, 1929.

ST. GEORGE'S BALL.

6TH JANUARY, 1930.

Members are requested to send in their applications for tickets to the Ball as soon as possible to Mr. S. T. Butlin, Hon. Secretary, c/o. Linstead and Davis.

HUNTLEY & PALMERS' BISCUITS.

We hereby give notice that we have appointed Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., to represent us, from the 1st January, 1930, in Hongkong, Swatow, Amoy, Foochow and South China.

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School will re-open on Monday, 6th January, 1930. An Entrance Examination will be held at the School on Friday 3rd. January, at 9.30 a.m. where all new pupils are requested to attend.

G. [redacted] R.

NOTICE.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 6th day of January, 1930, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshuipo, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyors of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1297.	Between New Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 1279 & 1262, Cheung Sha Wan Road.	feet	feet	feet	feet	About 1,152	$8	$1,723
			As per sale plan.						

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NOTICE.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 6th day of January, 1930, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2292.	Opposite Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2111 Sai Yeung Choi Street.	feet	feet	feet	feet	About 11,550	$72	$20,808
			As per sale plan.						

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NOTICE.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
3	Inland Lot No. 2362.	Adjoining Inland Lot No. 2351, Wong Nei Chung.	feet	feet	feet	feet	About 7,750	$44	$15,840
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LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

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The Steamship,

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having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 2nd January 1930, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before 9th January, 1930, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon, within the Free Storage Period of one week.

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Hongkong, 30th December, 1929.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

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Arrived Hongkong on Tuesday, the 31st December, 1929.
From MARSEILLES &c.

Consignees of Cargo by the above named steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery can be obtained as the goods are landed.—

Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Thursday, the 9th January, 1930, or they will not be recognised.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs.—Goddard & Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Monday the 6th January, 1930.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

L. LESDOS.
Hongkong, 31st December, 1929.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

On Wednesday, 1st January 1930 the G.P.O. and Branch Post Offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

There will be one collection from the pillar boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays and one delivery of registered correspondence at 9 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

RADIO NOTICES.

The Radio Office, where full information concerning all wireless services may be obtained at all times, is situated on the ground floor of the P and O. Building in Des Voeux Road, next to the General Post Office.

Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.

From 15th December to 5th January inclusive radiotelegrams conveying Christmas and New Year Greetings will be accepted for transmission to Canada and the United States of America. For rates and other particulars apply to the Radio Telegraph Office.

Letters and postcards for Europe and the British Isles are forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

The parcel post service to the Province of Kwangsi is resumed and letter mails are again being forwarded by direct steamers.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Japan and Shanghai	Mishima Maru	December 31.
Shanghai and Amoy	Linan	December 31.
Shanghai	D'Artagnan	December 31.
Europe via Negapatam, (papers only London 28th November)	Kumsang	December 31.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 4th December) Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Tenyo Maru	December 31.
Shanghai and Swatow	Soochow	January 1.
Japan	St. Albans	January 1.
Japan	Mexico Maru	January 1.
Europe via Suez (letters and papers, London 5th Dec., and parcels 28th Nov.)	Mantua	January 3.
Manila	Empress of Canada	January 2.
Japan and Shanghai	Rajputana	January 3.
Straits	Kitano Maru	January 5.
Manila	President Pierce	January 6.
Australia and Manila	Nellore	January 6.
Japan and Shanghai	Fushimi Maru	January 10.

OUTWARD MAILS.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, *East and *South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	D'Artagnan	Tues., Dec. 31. K.P.O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 31st Jan. 1930.)
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Tonkin	Tues., Dec. 31, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tues., Dec. 31, 2 p.m.
Shanghai	Yat Shing	Tues., Dec. 31, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Pierce	Tues., Dec. 31, 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Aller	Tues. Dec. 31. Registration 5 p.m. Letters 6 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Limchow	Wed., Jan. 1, 8.30 a.m.
Java via Batavia	Tjikembang	Wed., Jan. 1, 9 a.m.
Manila	Illinois	Wed., Jan. 1, 9 a.m.
Japan via Amoy	Kumsang	Wed., Jan. 1, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Deli Maru	Thurs., Jan. 2, 8.30 a.m.
Hoihow	Kwangtung	Thurs., Jan. 2, 9.30 a.m.
Straits	Van Heutsz	Thurs., Jan. 2, 10.30 a.m.
*Strait, Mombasa, Lourenco Marques and South Africa	Kamakura Maru	Thurs., Jan. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy	Tean	Thurs., Jan. 2, 1.30 p.m.
Hoihow and Bangkok	Bintang	Thurs., Jan. 2, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Fri., Jan. 3, 1 p.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	St. Albans	Fri., Jan. 3. Parcels Noon. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Thursday Island 16th Jan.)
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Mantua	Sat., Jan. 4, 10 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Rajputana	Sat., Jan. 4. K.P.O. Parcels Jan. 3, 4.30 p.m. Registration Jan. 4, 9 a.m. Letters 10 a.m. G.P.O. Parcels Jan. 3, 5 p.m. Registration Jan. 4, 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 31st Jan.)
Japan, Honolulu, *U. S. A., *Canada *Central and *South America via San Francisco	Taiyo Maru	Sat., Jan. 4. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due San Francisco 29th Jan. 1930.)
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	Taiyo Maru	Sat., Jan. 4. Registration 5 p.m. Letters 6 p.m.
Amoy	Kanchow	Sun., Jan. 5, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	Sun., Jan. 5, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kaying	Sun., Jan. 5, 9 a.m.
Sandakan	Hin Sang	Mon., Jan. 6, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Kitano Maru	Mon., Jan. 6, 10.30 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Ypensang	Mon., Jan. 6. Parcels Noon. Letters 1 p.m.
Japan, Canada, U. S. A. Central and South America and *Europe via Victoria B.C.	President Pierce	Mon., Jan. 6. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due Victoria B.C. 24th Jan. 1930.)

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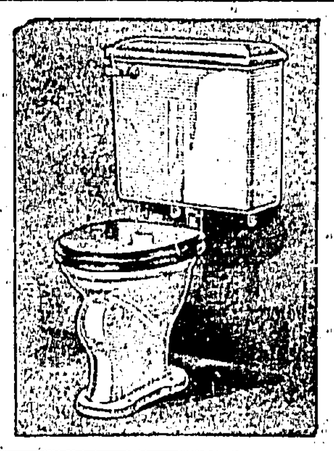
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WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

New and very modern is the buckle of this rose beige Paris hat with its mushroom brim. For the buckle is made of wood, in contemporary design of different planes and many shadings. Wooden earrings, light as air, make an unusual ornament ensemble with the buckle. Wood is used nowadays most decoratively, for buttons for tailored frocks, for frames of new purses fashioned of winter fabrics and for belt and pump buckles on sports things.

Parisian Notes.

GORGEOUS EVENING DRESSES AND WRAPS.

In Paris, women are letting their hair grow again. There are curls in front, bunches of curls at the back; in fact, there is a "little girl" look about most of the women one meets.

For evening wear, the tendency is the same. There are the white tulles and nets garlanded with rosebuds and ribbons.

One of these 1830 frocks seen recently, by name *Volupte*—although nothing less voluptuous could be imagined—was very sweet-and-seventeen, with its simple bodice and full skirt.

The colour was pearl grey and the material tulle; while the roses that trimmed it gave it almost a Victorian air.

Evening dresses for formal occasions have trains; some of these start from the back, and are of the "peacock" order, others are elongated panels from the waist.

As for evening wraps, they will be simply gorgeous. Some are entirely embroidered in bends in Russian designs. Other evening cloaks match the frock beneath in some way; a black satin wrap has appliqued flowers on it to match the pattern of the printed chiffon flowers, which form the flowing draperies of the skirt.

Tailoring is more tailored than ever. The short coat and slim skirt is being made, and so is the three-quarter coat with skirt and jumper, or little dress.

Tweeds are always made by good tailors. They know that every woman likes to have a tweed coat and skirt, and that she never looks better than wearing it with her neat brown shoes, her trim stockings, her smart felt hat, and strong gloves.

New Coiffures.

CHAMPION HAIR DRESSER.

Twenty-four of the world's leading hairdressers met at the Royal Hotel, Russell-square, Bloomsbury, last month, in the International Hairdressers' Society's annual contest for a £105 challenge cup.

The competitors were all men. They were given 45 minutes in which to create a coiffure in *postiche*. Their models, young and attractive girls, were first given a complexion to suit the transformation.

Fantastic rolls of waves and bunches of curls grew under the nimble fingers of the hairdressers. They took infinite pains with their work, raising a curl here and there with a hat pin or a long wooden skewer, then standing back or going upon one knee to admire the result.

The prize-winning head was in silver-grey hair with a splash of white at the front and over the ears. The creator of it, a young Serbian, M. Yowauowitsh, was wildly applauded by his fellow hairdressers when he was presented with the cup. He is unable to speak a word of English, but he showed his delight by smiling and nodding to the audience.

The New Hats.

AND JEWEL-TRIMMED GOWNS.

In the openings, it has been noticed that many of the couturieres are giving the evening models long broad brooches, made of coloured stones and crystals, with a huge pendant stone at the end. These are placed at the commencement of skirt draperies, not quite in the middle below the waist. Other favoured brooches are shaped like a dagger, and tucked round one hip, with the head part showing over the bodice.

Large coloured stones, jade or torquoise, form the fastenings of some of the new belts which now sit quite happily at the normal waistline. The clasp of the bag, or at least the brooch which ties down the scarf, should be of matching stones.

After all, jewellery is useless without a pretty frock to set it off, and if the worst comes, we can always slip on a trusty rope of pearls and look simple.

Whatever will be worn in the the future, it will only be meant for a diversion; we shall never be told to discard our pearls, I feel sure. They are as much an institution as the Houses of Parliament.

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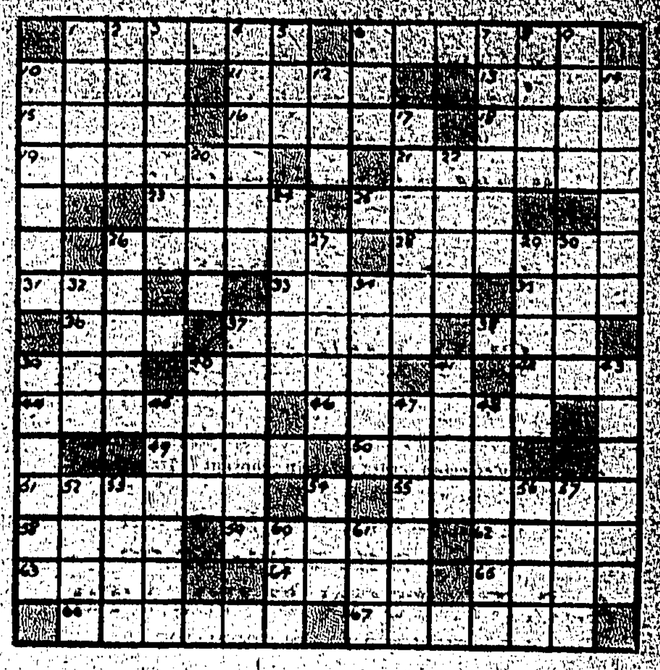
Some of the newest broad-brimmed hats have crowns of one material and brims of another. One, seen the other day, had a crown made of dull satin and fitted the head closely, the brim was of black felt, and the trimming consisted of a torsade of rose-pink crepe-de-chine.

Women have tired at last of plain untrimmed hats, and they are demanding something a little more elaborate, and the modistes, to please them, are trimming both large and small hats with such expensive accessories as aigrettes and ostrich-plumes, which, of course, will make new hats very much more costly. The "beret," in kasha or serge for sports wear, still continues to be very popular.

These little shapes are liked, not only because they can be tucked away in one's pocket or bag, without in the least injuring their smartness, but because they fit so delightfully to the head, and over the brow on one side, while on the other, the line which sweeps down one cheek, gives an air of youth which is delightful. A little sports hat which is often worn in town, is in silk, encircled by rows of stitching, and turns up gracefully in front.

Patsy Ruth Miller, the Warner Bros. featured player, is shown in an adaptation of the wind-blown bob. The long hair in front is clipped and brushed toward the face; at back, it is allowed to grow long.

OUR NEW BRITISH CROSSWORDS



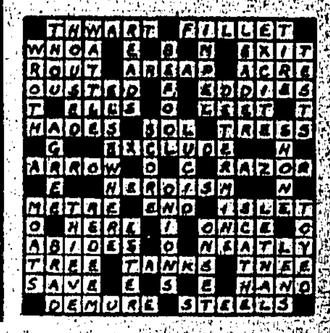
Across

1 Refuse.
6 Calamitous.
10 Only.
11 Luminous ring.
13 Dry.
15 Exclamation of woe.
16 Throw out.
18 Mere repetition.
19 Middle.
21 Kind of Apple.
23 Comfort.
25 Beckon.
26 State of being behindhand.
28 Place of amusement.
31 Performed.
33 Repulse.
35 Insect.
36 Gentle blow.
37 Mischievous imps.
38 Aged.
39 Domestic animal.
40 Barked.
42 Not high.
44 Sour ale.
46 Slips affixed for address.
49 Taverns.
50 Knowledge.
51 Place for cars.
55 Annoyed.
58 Ireland.
59 Ventured.
62 Thick cord.
63 Cleft.
64 Genuine.
65 Mid-day.
66 Something taught.
67 Not atheists.

Down

1 Character represented.
2 Unhesitating dash.
3 Clown.
4 Coagulated milk.
5 Product from coal.
6 Apex.
7 Granary.
8 Metal.
9 Quote.
10 Holy.
12 Haul.
14 Abhor.
17 Tracks.
20 Uncommon.
22 Wicked.
24 Soon.
26 Proverb.
27 Festivity.
29 Beckons.
30 Unfasten.
32 Image.
34 Sort of treadle.
37 Deserved.
39 Peril.
40 Thump.
41 Small lake.
43 Watchman.
45 Huge men.
47 Glass receptacle.
48 Acquires knowledge.
52 Extra seed covering.
53 Prevalent.
54 Anger.
56 Residue of smoke.
57 Epic poetry.
60 Large pitcher.
61 Woeful.

Saturday's Solution.



NEW RUBBER PROCESS

DUTCH PLANTER'S CLAIM.

Batavia, Nov. 27.

A former Dutch rubber planter of Java, Mr. Jules Bosch, after experiments for twelve years, claims to have made the following discoveries, which should have an important bearing on the cultivation of rubber.

(1) A new tapping knife precluding the possibility of injuring trees.

(2) A new tapping method totally differing from the present system, which Mr. Bosch, after extensive experiments, has found to have resulted in a much higher latex volume with the maintenance of the health of the trees.

(3) New tapping time (also based on long years of experiments), viz., three days' tapping with the two above-mentioned factors, has resulted in Mr. Bosch deriving from a number of experimental trees a production more than a hundred per cent. higher than from the present methods adopted.

It is learned that a rubber estate in East Java is shortly starting experiments on a large scale. If the trials are successful, the three discoveries, it is claimed, will mean a considerable change in rubber cultivation, resulting in largely increased production and consequently considerably lower production costs.

British Practice.

No further information is available in London as to the character of the new methods which Mr. Bosch claims to have discovered; but it was admitted in rubber circles that if they proved effective they would undoubtedly have important reactions on the industry.

It was pointed out that during the last 18 months a new scientific method of tapping has been introduced throughout the British plantations in Malaya which materially increases output and reduces costs. The coolie is now generally alloted 200 trees per day to tap instead of 400.

This enables him to complete his task before the rise of the sun, substantially reduces the flow from the bark, and to make much more careful incisions in the trees. The result is that actually a greater daily yield is obtained from the 200 trees than was previously obtained from the 400.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS — Head or Tail? — By Blosser

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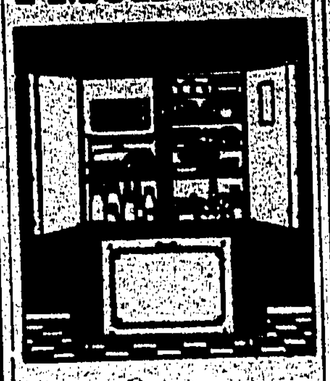

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A NEW YEAR CLOUD.

We should be conforming to usage if, on this the last day of the year, we took stock of the situation in China and endeavoured to see to what extent the aspirations of her leaders have been realised during the past twelve months and how the country stands in her relations with the foreign Powers. In view of Nanking's extrality flat, however, it will suffice if we confine ourselves to the unhappy outlook brought about by that declaration. The circumstances are such, unfortunately, that there appears every possibility of a situation of the utmost gravity developing. Brushing aside all the well-known arguments against unilateral action on this big issue, the Nationalist Government has seen fit to declare the extrality system at an end, with the resultant consequence that, if the mandate is acted upon, all foreign subjects in China will be made amenable to Chinese law. That the Powers principally affected cannot consent to such a sudden and radical change goes without saying.

The attitude of the principal Treaty Powers on this subject is too well known to need undue emphasis. Again and again have they made it clear that they are willing to enter into negotiations for the gradual relinquishment of extrality rights; that is their attitude to-day. There can be no admission of China's right to act unilaterally in the matter, and there are obligations which rest on China herself which must be discharged before abolition is agreed to. So far as Britain is concerned, definite proposals were made three years ago whereby she agreed to a conditional modification of the system and quite recently the Labour Government notified the Chinese Minister in London that Britain was prepared to discuss the removal of extrality rights, with the proviso that the surrender thereof must be gradual. It is now intimated that that attitude remains unchanged. We notice that Britain's willingness to revise the Anglo-Chinese treaties has recently been interpreted in one quarter as an indication of readiness not only to give up extrality rights, but also to agree to the relinquishment of her Concessions and the withdrawal of troops from China. That, of course, is absurd. In the present state of China, such a policy would be the height of folly. The United States, France and Japan are three other Powers vitally concerned in this question of extrality rights, and all have made it perfectly plain that they cannot countenance immediate abolition. The State Department at Washington, in fact, bluntly intimates that if any steps are taken which infringe the rights of American citizens, they will be vigorously opposed. It is to be presumed that the other Powers will take a similar stand in such circumstances.

The point which Nanking's leaders always overlook is that if they wish extrality abolished, China must first of all make conditions such that foreign life and property will not be endangered as a consequence. No sober-minded person can seriously contend that China is to-day in a position to give any such guarantee. We need only take the case of Japan to show the right way of dealing with this problem. After years of discussion, foreign nations in 1894 agreed to the abrogation of extrality rights in that country, on the understanding that it would not become effective for five years. Japan, on her part, agreed not to give notice of abrogation until portions of the new Code held in abeyance were actually brought into force. All the requirements having been fulfilled, the system came to an end in 1899. Here is the example for China. Japan not only refrained from acting unilaterally: she also discharged the obligations which were laid down as a necessary prerequisite to abolition. In other words, she acted constitutionally and with a sense of her own responsibilities in the matter. Let China do likewise.

The Dying Year.

"Out with the old year, in with the new," will be echoed to-night with few regrets for the passing of 1929. It has not been a good year. In retrospect, the trials and difficulties of the period are marked with far greater emphasis than are its achievements. From all parts of the globe have come reports of terrible storms, wreaking havoc among shipping and property, of earthquake and volcano disasters on a big scale, of weather vagaries, extreme colds or extreme heats, taking their toll in some form or other, and all in such profusion that it has sometimes seemed that the elements have been waging a fiercer battle with humanity than for many years past. Hongkong's weather memories centre chiefly round the long drought at the beginning of the year and the resultant acute water shortage, requiring to be met by extreme measures. Like many other countries and cities, the Colony has also experienced a general trade depression, even yet not overcome, though it is a commonplace that bad times are almost certain to be followed by a reaction, perhaps even more violent. There is a prospect, therefore, that a few months will see the end of the slack period, and that 1930 will produce a brighter trade outlook, and better conditions in the Colony than we have seen for a long time. The year 1929 also have as one of its features the adjustment of the Colony's monetary standards, though perhaps in some circles the result will still not be classed among the trials and tribulations. On the other side of the picture, there is to be found little of note. Confidence in the future of the Colony has expressed itself in a building boom exceeded only during the hectic days of 1924. We have won a series of interport sporting fixtures. The Share Market has begun to climb, slowly but surely, out of the slough created by the debacle of 1925. The long view, nevertheless, is encouraging rather than otherwise and 1930 will be given a cordial welcome.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., advertise that on Wednesday, New Year's Day, all departments will be closed. On this day, the Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department, will be open for dispensing prescriptions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

DAY BY DAY.

IF MONEY BE NOT THY SERVANT, IT WILL BE THY MASTER. THE COVETOUS MAN CANNOT SO PROPERLY BE SAID TO POSSESS WEALTH, AS THAT IT MAY BE SAID TO POSSESS HIM.—*Charron.*

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There will be no issue of the *Hongkong Telegraph* to-morrow. We take this opportunity of wishing our readers a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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The Ben Line s.s. Benvenue, from Manila, is due here on the 8th January.

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The P. and O. s.s. Mantun, with Home mails, is due here at 4 p.m. on the 4th January.

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On a charge of being in possession of 35 *po piu* lottery tickets, a Chinese, who was arrested in Haiphong Road, was fined $75 or six weeks' hard labour, at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day. A previous conviction for three months, in 1917, was produced against the defendant for a similar offence.

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Arriving from Shanghai by the s.s. Mishima Maru to-day were Mrs. Gertrude Bruns, Dr. Robert E. Hale, Mrs. Harriet S. Hale, Mr. Leon G. Hunt, Mr. Joseph W. Burns, Mr. Benton, Mr. Lionel A. McAndrew, Mr. Joseph Howard, Mr. J. W. Donald, Mrs. A. H. Scott, Miss D. Scott, Mrs. Olive Pauline Braga, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Tyler, Mr. G.C. Corley, Mr. J.C. Philips, Mr. Chan Nom Seng.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Baldwin Orr, of New York City and St. John's, Newfoundland, the parents of Mrs. Roger Culver Tredwell, the wife of the American Consul General, arrived by the s.s. Empress of Canada. Mr. and Mrs. Orr will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tredwell for about a month at Shek-O, before the latter proceed to Sydney, Australia, where Mr. Tredwell has been appointed Supervising Consul General in Australia for the U.S.A.

VALUE OF PRESS REPORTS.

MAGISTRATE & POSTMAN'S CONDUCT.

That the Press had brought to his notice an important fact which he had not been aware of in a case which was before him yesterday, was remarked upon by Mr. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he referred to the report which had appeared in local newspapers regarding the Police Court proceedings in which one woman robbed another of her handbag.

The Magistrate remarked to Inspector Bloor that he noticed in the Press reports that the arrest was made by a postman.

Inspector Bloor confirmed this, and Mr. Hamilton replied:—I did not know it at the time. Will you please see that this is brought to the notice of the Postmaster General?

FURTHER LOCAL ESTATES.

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION GRANTED.

Moy Don-shing, *alias* Moy Puncho, *alias* Mui Chan-sing, formerly an interpreter of the United States Emigration Department at Chicago, who died intestate at The People's Hospital, Chicago, on May this year, left Hongkong estate to the value of $18,300. Deceased was a native of Chiu Yeung village, Toi Shan District, Kwangtung, and is survived by a widow, two sons and a daughter. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Mui Chan-shi.

Hongkong estate worth $7,000 was left by Mr. Amadeu Correa Borges, otherwise known as Amadeu Borges, late of No. 27, Rua Formosa, Macao, who died intestate at the Hospital de St. Rafael, Macao, on September 22, last year. He was employed by the Macao Agency of the Banco Nacional Ultramarino and leaves a widow, two sons and two daughters. Letters of administration have been ganted to Mr. Carlos Augusto da Roza, exchange broker, of Alexandra Building, who is the attorney for the widow, who was granted representation to the estate by the Civil and Commercial Court of Justice, Macao.

Letters of administration to the estate of Lam To-cham (or Charm), dealer in metal goods under the name of Wah Lee, No. 290, Shanghai Street, Kowloon, who died intestate on February 10, 1928, leaving local estate worth $3,500, have been granted to the widow, Lam Leung-shi.

CLAIM AGAINST SOLICITORS.

MR. HAYLEY MORRISS'S ACTION.

Evidence in support of the action brought by Mr. Hayley Morriss, of Pippingford Park, Nutley, Sussex, against Messrs. Withers, Bensons, Currie and Williams, solicitors, Arundel-street, Strand, was given on Nov. 27.

Mr. Morriss claims damages for alleged negligence and breach of duty, contending that the defendants, who acted for him in a divorce suit in 1921, made an agreement with the solicitors of Mrs. Daphne Morriss, his first wife, under which she agreed to accept certain sums, which she would never seek to have increased, for the maintenance of herself and the children of the marriage. Mrs. Morriss, however, did seek to vary the agreement, and eventually secured a Court order increasing the maintenance sum.

Mr. Morriss complains that the defendants advised him that the agreement was binding and valid and omitted to explain that the agreement was not in fact binding upon the wife.

Messrs. Withers, Bensons, Currie and Williams denied negligence or that they are liable; they also pleaded the Statute of Limitations.

Mr. Hayley Eustace Morriss giving evidence, said that his wife deserted him in 1919 before he returned to England from Shanghai in 1920.

Mr. Morriss, replying to Mr. Comyns Carr, K.C., said that he told Mr. Covell, of the defendant firm, that he would only consent to a divorce if Mrs. Daphne Morriss, his then wife, agreed to financial terms that could not be broken.

Judges and Divorce.

Mr. Morriss stated that Mr. Covell said that he would see Mrs. Morriss's solicitor, Mr. Thompson, about the divorce. Mr. Covell told him: "It will greatly assist matters if you will strike her in front of a witness."

"I indignantly refused to do this," said Mr. Morriss.

He added that Mr. Covell said, "Don't be alarmed. I do not mean a violent blow." He told Mr. Covell that he did not care what he meant, he would not do it.

Mr. Covell told him: You don't understand. Just a little tap in front of a witness will do.

Mr. Morriss said that he refused to agree to do this and Mr. Covell said: Very well, then, we will arrange it in some other way.

Mr. Covell eventually told him that the terms had been agreed with Mrs. Morriss's solicitors and that it had been agreed that the terms would never be broken.

Mr. Morriss said that on a subsequent occasion Mr. Covell said to him: "As a matter of fact, a large number of divorce cases are arranged. The judges do not like it to be made too open; they close their eyes to a lot. Why, solicitors will find a co-respondent."

"We both laughed at that," said Mr. Morriss, who added that he said to Covell: I don't trust Thompson, I do not think he is honest.

Mr. Covell replied: You have got quite a wrong idea of Thompson. He has given his word of honour that the agreement will never be broken, and I will give you my word of honour that it will never be broken.

"An Awful Row."

"When I suggested that my wife might break it," said Mr. Morriss, "Mr. Covell said, 'We can hold her to it,' whereupon I said, 'I will sign.'"

"Mr. Covell is a most plausible man," added Mr. Morriss later.

Mr. Morriss said that later he desired that the agreement should be brought before the Court. He thought that if he went to the Registrar he would hold an inquiry into the matter and insist that a permanent financial agreement would be registered as such.

Mr. Covell said: If we do anything so silly as to go to the Registrar we should get into an awful row.

To that Mr. Morriss replied: I don't care tuppence if we do.

Subsequently, Mr. Morriss said, he told Mr. Covell that he was going to the Registrar to tell him everything. "Oh, don't, don't, for goodness sake don't do that," Mr. Covell said.

Mr. Morriss added: Mr. Covell said that if I would only wait everything would be all right.

Mr. Justice Horridge—Do you think that Thompson, the other firm of solicitors, were also so deeply in this that they sold their client?

Mr. Morriss—That is my personal view.

The hearing was adjourned.

The Very Sober Sun

"On entering a particularly sunny room for breakfast on a sunny morning," writes a correspondent to a Home paper, "I found all the curtains drawn. My wife explained that the fire had been particularly 'difficult,' and would have gone out altogether had the sun been permitted to continue to shine upon it! This is the one and only superstition to which my wife adheres: she is an honours graduate of London in science, but all women seem to agree that in practice sunshine will 'kill' a feeble fire: have they any justification for their belief?"

There is no ground for the superstition, the explanation being simple enough. The sun shining direct on the grate causes the light of the fire to appear dim by comparison. Ash on the surface of embers shows up as a silvery mass, and the red glow beneath seems to fade away, so that the fire looks "dead." The actual effect is nil; but it is hard to convince most women of the fact. A graduate in science should, however, know better.

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Next time you're in the city
Together we will sup;
I'm on the eighty-seventh floor—
Be sure to look me up!—

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Willesden Woman: She hit me right on my appendicitis mark.

Defendant in assault case at North London: I am called Christopher in the summons, but my name is Cromwell.

Mr. Powell, the West London magistrate, to a recently married couple who wanted a separation: If you, the wife, are only looking on your husband as useful in bringing in money, and you, the husband, regard your wife merely as a housekeeper, you are going to make a very poor job of marriage.

Willesden Magistrate: We cannot hunt missing husbands. Wives must find more precisely where they are, and then we will catch them.

"I am paying 25 shillings a week out of nothing."—Man at Tottenham.

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"Did you realize anything from your investment in those gold mines?"

"Yes. I realized that my wife was right."

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("I suppose that the success of the Lyons' undertaking was built upon 'pd. pot of tea. . . ."—Quen.)

"There's many a slip
Twixt the cup and the lip,"
'Tis said but who will heed?
For the cup of tea
Is a thing that we
Regard as our daily need!
'Twill stimulate
(Not inebriate);
'Tis always ready to buck!
So it's easy to guess
The great success
Of one who can take "pot" luck!

In connexion with the New Territories Agricultural Show to open at Sheung Shui on Saturday, we learn that H. E. the Governor will bid farewell to the Elders of the villages at three o'clock and will declare the show open immediately after this ceremony.

WHO WAS . . . CALEB PLUMMER?

In spite of her blindness, Bertha Plummer thought herself the most fortunate of girls. Had she not a young and handsome father, a luxurious home, and plenty of money? She loved making little wooden toys for the kind young men who came to see her father from time to time.

Such was poor Bertha's castle in the air, which her loving father, Caleb Plummer, had delighted to build for her. His darling child should never know that he was old, grey-haired, and poor, and that the house in which they lived was shabby, dirty, and dilapidated, that their employer, for whom the toys were made, was an unkind, hard-hearted slave-driver.

In the delightful world of the old toy-maker's imagining, Bertha lived happily for many years, but not alas! for ever, for fate compelled the disclosure of the truth. Caleb's distress was pitiful to see, but his daughter assured him that she only loved him better than before.

No one can help admiring the magnificent courage and selflessness of this old man, whose only thought in life was to create happiness for another. He was one of Charles Dickens' immortal creations, and is found in "The Cricket on the Hearth."

NIGERIA OUTLOOK IMPROVED.

LOOTING REPORTED IN ONE DISTRICT.

TROOP MOVEMENTS.

London, Dec. 30.

Latest information received at Colonial Office from the Governor of Nigeria, where disturbances have recently occurred, is to the effect that the general situation is now satisfactory.

In Calabar Province, the situation is steadily improving and the work of pacification proceeding.

There is still some unrest at Aro Bonon, on the left bank of the Cross River, but all roads in the province are safe and the province is quiet.

Reports from Owerri say that North Owerri and South Okigwi are restless. Some looting in the Owerri Division is being dealt with. Aguru has been occupied without opposition. Elsewhere all is quiet.

Armed guards have been removed from Aba, and normal police work is resumed.

Troops have been moved from Port Harcourt, as all is quiet there, and have been concentrated at Ahoada to check the southern movement.—*British Wireless.*

PICKPOCKET SENT TO GAOL.

STOLE WATCH AND CHAIN FROM PEDESTRIAN.

A young Chinese, giving his age as [illegible], appeared before Mr. [illegible] at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and pleaded guilty to a charge of theft of a watch and chain, valued $5, from the pocket of a pedestrian in Shanghai Street.

The defendant had two previous convictions for picking pockets, having been given twelve strokes of the cane in September and another twelve strokes in October.

His Worship remarked that the defendant was a regular professional pickpocket and evidently preferred to get another caining instead of imprisonment, as he was keeping his age down.

His Worship intimated that the defendant looked more than fifteen years of age and passed sentence of three months' hard labour.

RATTAN WORKER'S AUTOMATIC.

ACCUSES "OWNER" OF BETRAYAL.

Remanded from yesterday, a rattan worker in whose possession was found an automatic pistol, was fined $500 or four months' hard labour in default by Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The defendant intimated that he had been asked to carry the pistol and was promised $1 for the trouble. He accused the man who had given him the weapon of having betrayed him.

Inspector Fallon remarked that the defendant was arrested on information in Nelson Street. He was carrying a bundle of straw in which was concealed the pistol.

His Worship fined the defendant $500 or four months' hard labour in default.

BOY AS SURVEYOR.

APPEAL FOR "A BRIGHT LAD IN STANDARD SEVEN."

How a schoolboy helped a man to obtain payment of wages was disclosed at Maidenhead Police Court recently when James McLaughlin, an Irishman, summoned Albert Purser, a farmer, of Littlewick, near Maidenhead, for £1, wages due.

McLaughlin, who had been on tramp, said that he asked Purser for a job, and it was agreed that he should hoe mangels for £1 an acre. After he had hoed three and a quarter acres Purser paid him only £2, and he thereupon went to the village schoolmaster and asked for the services of a bright lad in Standard 7. The boy was supplied, and Purser was asked to witness the measuring of the ground with a chain measure by the boy, but declined.

Evidence was given by the boy bearing out McLaughlin's statement, and he was complimented by the Bench for the straight-forward way in which he had told his story.

Purser said he gave McLaughlin a piece of paper on which was written the amount of work he had to do, and he paid him for that work.

The Chairman ordered payment of £1, and 11s. costs.

Purser said he intended to appeal.

SANDAKAN LIGHT AND POWER CO.

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hand for the erection of the second of the double drum boilers which we purchased some time ago.

New Chimney.

In last year's report I made mention of the fact that a sum of $1,750 was spent on the renewal of the steel chimney. I regret, gentlemen, to have to inform you that despite this the chimney now again wants attention. We have discovered that the condensation at a certain height of the flue gases which contain salts and acids due to the type of fuel burned in our boilers has the effect of corroding very rapidly the steel plates. In order to overcome this trouble, it will be necessary to instal a new chimney together with an induced draft fan, so that the products of combustion are blown clear of the steel stack, and any condensation that takes place will be in the atmosphere and not in the chimney. We estimate that this new chimney and fan will cost approximately $2,500, erected.

You will observe from the notice calling this meeting that we shall hold a meeting immediately following it for the purpose of adopting New Articles of Association.

I now beg to propose:—"That the report and accounts for the financial year ended 30th June, 1929, as presented to this meeting, be adopted and passed", and when this has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer questions from shareholders.

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga seconded, and the report and accounts were adopted.

Business Matters.

Mr. A. A. Botelho proposed and Mr. J. Toppin seconded the re-election of the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. C. A. da Roza and Mr. S. M. Churn as members of the Consulting Committee. This was approved.

On the motion of Mr. Tse Tsankai seconded by Mr. F. J. Tavares the re-election of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews and Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming as auditors, at a remuneration of $250 each for the ensuing year, was approved.

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

Articles of Association Changed.

Addressing an extraordinary general meeting which followed, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—As indicated in the notice which has just been read by the Company's Secretary, this meeting has been convened for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, approving the draft new Articles of Association of the Company.

With regard to the draft New Articles, I should explain that it has been decided to do away with a Consulting Committee and to constitute a Board of Directors in the place thereof. To effect this, it is necessary to alter the existing Articles to provide for the requisite power to do so and to make certain changes therein which are rendered necessary consequent upon the constitution of a Directorate. Your Consulting Committee consider that, as this alteration must be made for the reason already stated, a favourable opportunity presented itself of bringing the present Articles right up to date. We have therefore had new Articles prepared for the Company, which have the approval of your Consulting Committee. If the new Articles are approved, they will be in line with the general and usual form of Articles now adopted by Companies in this Colony.

Prints of the existing Articles and of the draft new Articles have, as indicated in the notice convening this meeting, been open for inspection by shareholders at the Company's registered office, and there are also copies of both the existing and the draft new Articles on this table which, if any shareholder desires, he may inspect.

Some of the Alterations.

The suggested new Articles of Association are similar to the old subject to clerical alterations and rephrasing and to the following alterations of substance, viz:—

1. Certificates of title have to be signed by one Director and countersigned by the General Managers (Article 11).

2. The Directors may refuse to register a transfer without assigning any reason therefor (Article 36.)

3. The representative of Shewan, Tomes & Co. to be ex-officio Director and Chairman of the Company (Article 82).

4. The General Managers' remuneration is to be a commission of 8% on the first $100,000 and 5% on any sum over the first $100,000 of the balance standing to the credit of the Company's working account in each financial year before charging the account with General Managers' commission. The minimum amount of such commission is to be an annual sum of $3,000. The General Managers' remuneration does not include the provision of clerks or an office (for which a sum of $5,000 per annum has been previously charged) (Article 84).

5. The Consulting Committee cease to exist and in place thereof a Board of Directors will be appointed (Articles 87 to 120).

6. The remuneration of the Directors is to be $2,000 per annum to be divided between them as the Directors shall determine (Article 92).

7. Provision is made for the appointment, if required, of a Managing Director (Article 115).

8. The powers of control heretofore exercised by the General Managers will devolve upon the Board of Directors (Articles 119 and 120).

9. Documents requiring the Seal of the Company and Cheques shall be signed by one Director and countersigned by the General Managers. (Article 121).

10. Restriction is placed on the declaration of dividends (Article 128).

11. Dividends unclaimed for more than five years may be forfeited to the Company (Article 138).

12. Special Arbitration powers are given (Article 162).

13. Indemnity to Directors, etc. (Articles 163 and 164).

I do not think there is anything further with which I need deal at this meeting, but if any shareholder would like to ask any question or seek any explanation, I shall endeavour to answer such questions and give such explanation to the best of my ability.

If no questions are asked or explanation sought, I shall assume that you approve of the draft new Articles as presented, and will thereupon propose the resolution regarding the same which is set out in the notice convening this meeting.

There being no questions or desire for explanation, I now beg to propose the following resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution, namely:—"That the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing Articles thereof."

The Chairman.—Gentlemen, that concludes the business for which this meeting was convened, and I thank you for your attendance. As you are aware, the notice convening this meeting also convenes a second Extraordinary General Meeting for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at this meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the resolution which has just been passed as an Extraordinary Resolution, which second meeting will, as indicated in the notice, be held here on Wednesday, 15th January, 1930, at 12.30 p.m., and I shall be glad if you will kindly attend same.

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga seconded, and the resolution was unanimously approved.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Dec. 30.

Paris	123.91
New York	4.88 1/16
Brussels	34.867
Amsterdam	12.09⅞
Milan	93.10
Berlin	20.425
Vienna	34.655
Prague	164⅛
Lisbon	108.20
Athens	375
Bombay	1/5.15/16
Shanghai	2/1
Hongkong	1/7⅛
Yokohama	2/0.3/32
Silver (spot)	21.5/16
Silver (forward)	21⅝

—*British Wireless.*

INSTONE BREWER COMMITTED.

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item was therefore false to that extent.

Instone Trading Co.

Dealing with stock, shares and other investments, Mr. Grantham said that they consisted of $460,000 of shares held by the Instone Trading Company, a firm which was formed 13 days before the balance sheet was prepared and which never did any business, although it had been set up as an import and export firm. Its only assets consisted of the value of those shares, which, at the time, were not worth anywhere near the figure which was put in the balance sheet. Therefore the item was false.

Turning to the charge of publishing or concurring in the publishing of the wrong balance sheet containing misleading items with a view to deceiving or inducing persons to entrust money to the Corporation, his Worship said that the balance sheet was "puffed," and as such there would have arisen a false impression as to the financial state of the Company.

Auditor's Evidence.

Mr. Grantham reviewed the evidence of Mr. Li Tung, the Auditor, stating that Mr. Brewer had said that he relied on Mr. Li as to how the balance sheet should be drawn up. But they had the fact that the auditor was a man who had little knowledge of English, and it was quite easy to assume that he would have to rely to some extent on the defendant as to how the balance sheet should be drawn up.

He (the Magistrate) was satisfied that there was a case on all those charges, to go before a jury, and he therefore committed defendant to the next Criminal Sessions, bail being allowed.

FIVE DOCTORS RESIGN.

HOSPITAL STAFF SURPRISE.

An extraordinary position has been created at Swansea Hospital, where five members of the medical staff, including three house surgeons, have handed in their resignations.

The authorities are reluctant to discuss the affair, and the secretary will say nothing.

The resignations follow closely upon a finding of the board of management at their last meeting that difficulty in filling vacancies on the hospital staff was largely due to the shortage of medical men.

New Ways Not Liked.

Although no official statement can be obtained as to the cause of the doctors' action, it is understood that they were disappointed at a recent appointment not being from amongst their number, and that they are dissatisfied with certain new conditions at the hospital.

Some of the resignations do not expire for some time.

But one of the doctors concerned said they would see that the hospital was not let down.

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MANDATES COST TO BRITAIN.

HUGE DECREASE IN ARAB AREAS.

The recent trouble in Palestine, the promise to release Irak from the mandate and the tranquillity and prosperity of Transjordania have lately raised again the whole question of Mandates under British control.

The mandate system inaugurated by the League of Nations in 1920 under Article 22 of the Covenant, is generally attributed to the imaginations of President Wilson and General Smuts. The question had arisen as to what should be done with the Arab provinces of the late Turkish Empire and the enemy colonies in various parts of the world. None of these were in a state to govern themselves and annexation by the Allies already at loggerheads over future political policy, was also impossible.

A scheme of mandates was therefore devised, whereby the Allies should take these countries under their tutelage and administer them for the benefit of the native population. The Mandatory Power was to have no particular privileges and was to be responsible for correct administration to the Permanent Mandates Commission of the League. Expenditure entailed in these countries was to be looked upon as war expenses.

The Arab populations of Turkey had revolted during the War and joined the Allies. It was therefore felt that something special should be done for their advantage. The mandates were consequently divided into three categories, A., B., and C.

A., B. and C. Mandates.

A. mandates constituted the Arab provinces of the former Turkish Empire, Syria, Palestine, Transjordania, and Irak; these provinces were all destined eventually to become independent countries. Syria was allotted to the French and the other three to Great Britain.

B. mandates consisted of the former German colonies and were to be administered as colonies, no definite promise as to their independence being given.

C. mandates are South-West Africa, Samoa, and certain islands; these are administered as an integral part of the country to which they are attached. Considerable controversy has already arisen over the tenure of these C. mandates, certain countries, especially the Union of South Africa and New Zealand, maintaining that annexation was intended.

The profit or loss to the Mandatory Power of the B. and C. mandates is difficult to assess. Though the balance-sheets of some of these countries, as tendered to the Mandates Commission, show a loss, there is an undoubted profit in the increase of trading and spheres of influence felt in the adjoining territories belonging to the Mandatory Power.

A. mandates were morally speaking undertaken as a War obligation to those who had assisted us during the struggle, and from a practical point of view were distributed beteen France and Great Britain in order that by encouraging peace and prosperity they might safeguard their particular spheres of influence.

Initial Expenses.

The actual cost to the British Treasury of Irak during the years 1921 to 1929 is over £51,000,000, and of Palestine and Transjordania, under one High Commissioner, over the same period of about £9,000,000. These three countries are now to all intents and purposes self-supporting. Racial differences between the Arabs and the Jews in Palestine make the question of relinquishing the mandate quite a different proposition from that of relinquishment in Irak.

The large sums spent in 1921 and 1922 were the result of initial expenditure in reconstructing these countries after the devastation caused by the War.

The following figures show how enormously expenditure has decreased during the last four years. The sums shown in 1928 and 1929 are almost exclusively grants in aid for defence. The cost of the R.A.F. serving in these parts is now borne on the Air Service Votes, only the difference in cost of serving abroad, about £30,000, being charged to Irak and Palestine.

	Irak.	Palestine and Transjordan.
1921	£23,355,000	£3,339,000
1922	7,664,000	1,965,000
1923	5,666,000	1,281,000
1924	4,153,000	849,000
1925	3,959,000	737,000
1926	3,380,000	482,000
1927	2,059,000	326,000
1928	*569,000	*70,000
1929	*447,000	*56,000

*Estimated.

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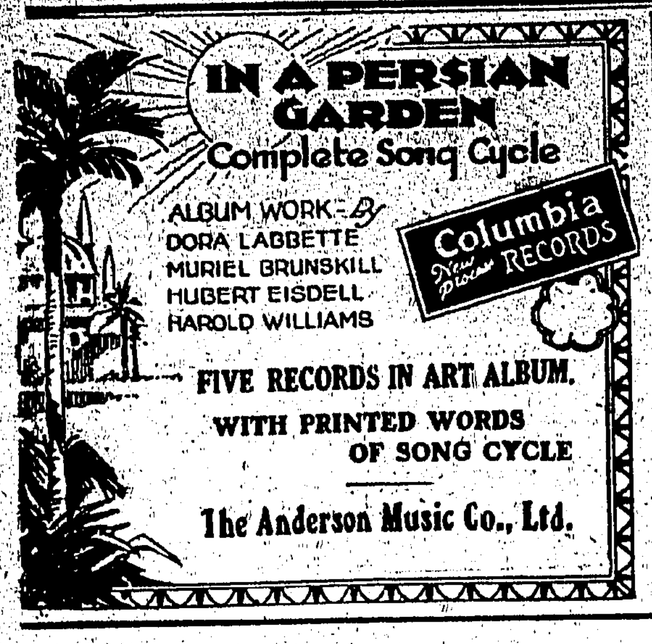

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TENNIS CHAMPION DEFEATED.

M. W. LO LOSES IN C.R.C. CHAMPIONSHIP.

M. W. Lo, the Colony's tennis champion, suffered a surprising defeat in the Singles Championship of the Chinese Recreation Club on Saturday, when Luk Dingcheung won after being two sets down. The scores were 3-6, 0-6, 6-4, 6-4, 8-6. Other first round results are:

Iu Tak Cheuk beat Mok Hing Sang 8-6, 6-1, 6-0.

Ng Sze Kwong beat Luk Kang Cheung 6-1, 6-3, 7-5.

Ho Ka Lau beat Leung Sai Wah 6-2, 6-1, 6-1.

F. H. Kwok beat W. P. Tsui, 3-6, 4-6, 6-4, 6-4, 8-6.

Cheung Wing Kiu Beat Tso Woon Kan 6-3, 4-6, 6-4, 3-6, 6-0.

Lau Man Kwong beat H. Y. Ho 6-3, 8-6, 7-5.

Cheng Chi Wing beat Iu Tak Lam 6-2, 6-3, 6-1.

M. K. Lo beat Yew Man Kt, 6-1, 6-1, 6-4.

So far the second round results are:—

M. K. Lo beat Cheng Chi Wing 13-11, 7-5, 8-6.

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR NEW YEAR DAY.

9.28 a.m.—E. M. Bryden and G. Davidson.
9.32 a.m.—G. W. Sewell and R. M. Henderson.
9.36 a.m.—R. K. Hepburn and I. H. Geare.
9.40 a.m.—E. D. Lawrence and I. W. Shewan.
9.44 a.m.—A. H. Ferguson and L. R. Andrewes.
9.48 a.m.—Capt. Grant and H. Hampton.
9.52 a.m.—J. McKnight and Capt. Davison.
9.56 a.m.—C. Thwaites and T. C. Monaghan.
10.00 a.m.—F. M. Ellis and P. Tester.
10.04 a.m.—A. O. Brawn and C. Mycock.
10.08 a.m.—J. S. MacLaren and W. M. Thomson.

MOTOR CYCLE SOCCER.

TEAMS FOR THE MATCH ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.

The following are the teams for the motor cycle football match which will be played on the ground of the Kowloon Football Club to-morrow morning at 11.30 a.m.

H.K.V.D.C. (Motor Cycle Section).—S. C. Banks (A.J.S.), W. L. Miller (Excelsior), B. S. Rogers (A.J.S.), S. J. Clark (P. & M.) and H. G. Williams (Humber). Reserve.—R. W. Sapsed (Raleigh).

Captain Howard's Team.—E. J. Spradberry (Coventry Eagle), F. Baker (Harley), W. Simpson (Harley), W. Borrowman (Triumph), Captain Howard (B.S.A.).

It is understood that the teams will officially escort "Sir Cumference de Tong" from the Star Ferry to the K.F.C. ground at 10.15 a.m. tomorrow.

LOCAL HOCKEY.

CLUB SECONDS DRAW WITH PUNJAB REGIMENT.

The Hongkong Hockey Club 2nd XI played the Punjab Regiment at King's Park yesterday and drew, each side scoring two goals.

Macdougal and Fincher scored for the Club.

Club v Punjabis.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club "A" team against the Punjabis, at the Marina Ground at 5 p.m. sharp on Friday, January 3:—R. W. Sapsed, L. A. R. Duncan, G. Rankin, (Capt.), A. A. R. Botelho, E. G. S. Dale, H. W. Lasonder, S. J. H. Fox, Major Kerrich, L. G. Frost, H. Hazell and D. M. Macdougal.

M. POINCARE'S FUTURE

EAGER TO RETURN TO POLITICS.

Paris, Nov. 27.

Following the news published yesterday of M. Poincare's complete recovery from his operation, conjecture is rife concerning the ex-Premier's future.

M. Poincare, who throughout his illness has not ceased to follow affairs or to continue writing on political subjects, is known to be keen on returning to the fray. Politics for M. Poincare are life itself, and it is hardly likely that, with his full force restored, the energetic statesman will be capable of abstaining from active participation.

Though at the moment there is no obvious place for the ex-Premier to return to it can hardly be doubted that useful work for the country can still be found for him. M. Tardieu's great success inside and outside Parliament is the outstanding feature of the moment, and the French ship of State seems safe for some time to come with his hand on the helm.

As far as M. Poincare's immediate projects are concerned, he will spend some time convalescing in the Midi, and then may accept an invitation made to him to visit South America. M. Poincare will probably be allowed to return to his house in the Rue Marbeuf next week, and in the middle of December go South. It is thought that M. Poincare may not improbably, out of the numerous offers made to him of a house for the purpose of his convalescence, choose a villa put at his disposal by his old friend, Gabriel Hanotaux, at Roquebrune, between Monte Carlo and Mentone. If M. Poincare should accept the invitation to go to South America it is likely that he will first put in his long projected visit to Tunisia and Morocco.

TROLLEY CAR SYSTEM IN THE SUBURBS.

LONDON UNITED TRAMWAYS TO SEEK NEW POWERS.

The London United Tramways, a company within the Underground Railway group, is to apply to Parliament for permission to run vehicles of the "trackless-trolley" type.

Application for powers will be made to Parliament as soon as possible. "Permission will be asked to run the trackless-trolley tram-cars over the whole system. The present intention is to run them only experimentally over a short route, and it will probably be 18 months before one can say whether the method will be adopted for the whole system and the existing tracks taken up.

"The London United Tramway services are operated in Twickenham, Richmond, Kingston, Surbiton, &c., and cover about 49 miles. The experimental section will be in the Surbiton and Kingston area.

"The question of trackless-trolleys for other tramway companies in the group has not yet been considered. It is too early to say whether the new cars will be on the same principle as the 'box-office car,' where fares are collected on the platform, for the public are not accustomed to the change."

LOCAL GOLF.

CHRISTMAS COMPETITION RESULT.

Major Lucas and Miss Wane won the Mixed Foursomes against bogey with a score of 3 down.

Wing Commander and Mrs. Steele Perkins, and T. S. and Mrs. Whyte Smith had cards of four down and L. G. S. Dodwell and Mrs. Dodwell of five down.

There were 27 entries.

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"BLACK WATCH."

1,000 WAR VETERANS IN McLAGLEN PICTURE.

A complete regiment, numbering 1,000 soldiers, played a prominent part in the production of "The Black Watch," Fox Film directed by John Ford, all-though this all-dialogue production is not a war picture.

Clad in kilts the aggregation consisted solely of ex-service men, recruited from the various Veterans, Bureaus of Los Angeles and 80 per cent. were either Scottish or English veterans, with more than 250 wearing decorations for meritorious service during the late conflict. Technical direction for the big scene showing the regiment entraining at Victoria Station in London was by Jack Deering, former Major in the Australian Forces.

"The Black Watch", now at the Queen's Theatre, is a visualization of Talbot Mundy's widely-read novel and stars Victor McLaglen in the role of "Captain Donald Gordon King," of the famous "Black Watch," the nickname for the 42nd Highlanders.

By reason of King's ten years of service in India, he is commissioned to return there, at the outbreak of the World War. His brother officers misunderstand, believing he has promoted a soft berth for himself. Subsequent events prove the valour of the officer whose bravery is tested to the last degree in India.

Myrna Loy, exotic beauty of the screen, has the leading feminine role, that of "Yasmani", a she-devil who aspires to a throne and domination of India.

She has outgamed and outwitted every other man who has ran across her path until McLaglen conquers her. Included in the cast are David Rollins, Lumsden Hare, Mitchell Lewis, Walter Long, Roy D'Arcy, David Percy, Arthur Clayton, Cyril Chadwick, Claude King, David Torrence, Pat Somerset and Richard Travers.

John Stone adapted the story and the dialogue was written by James K. McGuinness who also supervised the production.

RIOTING IN SAMOA.

LATEST CASUALTY LIST.

Wellington, Dec. 30.

The complete casualty list in the Samoa rioting is one policeman killed and six police injured, and eight Samoans killed and twelve injured.

The dead Samoans include Chief Tamasese, who served a term of imprisonment in New Zealand for failing to pay taxes. Two thousand members of the Mau participated in the parade at which the rioting started. Three hundred of them joined in the attack against the police.—*Reuter.*

SHARE PRICES

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, $1340 sa.
Chartered Bank, $181 n.
Mercantile A. & B., $301 n.
East Asia $95 b.

Insurances.
Canton Ins., $695 b.
Union Ins., $361 b.
North China, Ins., Tls. 160 b.
Yangtsze Ins., $50 n.
China Underwriters, $2 n.
China Fires, $310 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., $815 b.

Shipping.
Douglases, $25 s. n.
H. K. Steamboats, $27½ b
H. K. Tugs, $2. s.
Indo-Chinas, (Def.) $70 n.
Union Waterboats $22 n.

Mining.
Benguets, $4.70 b.
Kailans, 35/- n.
Langkots, Tls. 13.60 n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 1.30 n.
Raubs, $11.20 n.
Tronohs, 21/- b.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, $143 b.
Whampoa Docks, $32½ s.
China Providents $5.65 b.
Hongkews, Tls 190 n.
New Engineerings, Tls. 7.50 n.
Shanghai Docks. Tls. 101 b.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 16.60 b.
Orientals, Tls. 2.30 b.
S'hai Cottons, Tls. 82 (old) b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, $11.70 b.
H. K. Lands, $65½ b.
S'hai Lands Tls. 161 n.
Humphreys, $14.50 s.
Realties, $9.80 b.
Chinese Estates $98 s.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, $19.20 b.
Peak Trams, (old) $11.75 n.
Star Ferries, $71 b.
China Lights, (Old) $19. sa.
H. K. Electrics, $67½ b.
Macao Electrics, $23 b.
Telephones $8.40 b.
China Buses, Tls. 15½ b.
Singapore Tractions. 10/- s.

Industrials.
China Sugars, $1 b.
Malabons, $27 n.
Cald: Mack. Ord: Tls. 11 n.
Canton Ices, $2.50 n.
Cements (Comb.) $14.10 b.
Ropes $7½ s.
United Asbestos $5 b.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, $21½ b.
Watsons, $11½ s.
Dor A. Wings, '80 n.
Lane Crawfords, $2. b.
Mackintoshs, $18 b.
Sinceres, $12 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, $27½ n.
Constructions, $1.30 b.
B'que Ind. G. Bonds, 61%
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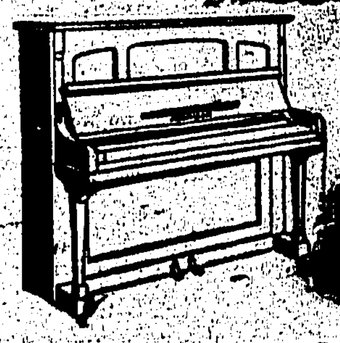

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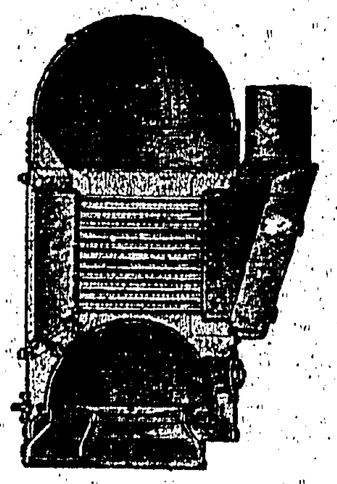

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FORTHCOMING ARMY APPOINTMENTS.

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Major J. H. Thom, D.S.O., Royal Artillery, will shortly arrive in Hongkong, on posting to the Hongkong-Singapore Brigade, R.A., and will succeed to a vacancy as Lieut.-Colonel. Major Thom has lately served with the 4th. Light Brigade, R.A., at Deepcut, Hants.

Football.

Although there is at present an "armistice" until January 6, in the matches in the Hongkong Area Football League, a previously-postponed match between 31st. (H) Battery, R.A., and "A" Company, S.L.I., was played at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, the Gunners winning comfortably by six goals to nil. Teams:

31st. Battery.—Maltby; Oliver, Seal; Hall, Fletcher, Joyce; Rodgers, Cotton, Leach, Davey.

"A" Coy., S.L.I.—Blissett; Lawrence, Sellick; Pragnell, Troth, Jones; Kearle, Sherston, Spurdle, Scott, Richards.

Play was of the end-to-end order for the first ten minutes, both sides making attacks, but the Gunners stronger forward line were not kept out for much longer, Davey opening the scoring after Rodger had run down the right wing, to centre from a peculiar angle. The Gunners pressed, and Gill scored from fifteen yards out, after taking a good pass from Davey. It was one of Gill's "specials," and had Blissett beaten all the way.

The Somersets were soon on the defensive again, and Davey and Leach put in some sparkling play on the left, resulting in Davey scoring after beating both backs. The Gunners, having had most of the play, and, incidentally all of the score, then made the issue safe by bringing four backs into the defence, which became even more robust than before. The Somersets were thus out-played, and any attack made was easily repelled. A goal-mouth scramble resulted in Leach netting the fourth goal.

The Gunners resumed their attack after the interval, and Leach got nearly there with a beautiful shot, which Blissett fisted out. A second drive by Leach later on went over the bar, but the Somersets' defence was having a very hard time. It was obvious, however, that the goal was only postponed, and Cotton obtained it, putting in a cross-shot from fifteen yards. Blissett was responsible in great measure for the fact that only six goals were scored against him, his smart saves on many occasions receiving applause from the spectators. Leach obtained the final goal after tricking the backs and sending in a fast ground shot out of Blissett's reach.

Navy Matches.

In a China Fleet Football League Match at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, Iroquois defeated Thracian by the only goal scored in a well-contested game. Teams:

Iroquois.—Wyatt; Hammond, Oliver; Curtis, Nobes, Watson; Fell, Hall, Allsopp, Evans, Wade.

Thracian.—Pearson; Clarke, Sloan; Jarvis, Hayes, North; Davis, Burle, Ward, Maloney, Stratford.

Keenly-combined attacks were the order for the first twenty minutes, but Iroquois gradually drew out from their opponents, and their raids were frequent. After a time, however, Thracian began to take a hand in matters, and had the Iroquois defence in somewhat of a tangle, though they could not find a shot to beat Wyatt. The first half was goalless, but, on resuming, Iroquois spiritedly attacked. Thracian returned, and made a good run down on the right, getting very near the goal, but Clarke cleared. At the other end, Wade made a good run, and passed to the opposite wing, but Fell's shot was well-held by Pearson.

The Iroquois kept up their pressure, and Wade got through, taking a shot that rebounded, and sending in a hard drive, which Pearson could not reach.

In another China Fleet match at Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon, Tamar defeated Petersfield by two goals to nil. Teams:

Tamar.—Price; Brown, Robinson; Burnett, Carson, Woods; Butler, Hampson, Lake, Sorby, Read.

Petersfield.—Genge; Higgins, Cook; Lowe, Padden, Jackson; Pearce, Boucher, Mayne, Wells, Walker.

No goals were obtained in the first half, although the Tamar forwards had done most of the pressing. However, they found the Petersfield defence on the top of their form, and the sides crossed over with a clean sheet.

Tamar began the second half with a strong attack, Sorby running down the centre and passing to Read. Higgins intercepted the pass, and cleared. Later, a penalty against the Petersfield for hands was taken by Sorby, who opened the scoring with a good shot. Petersfield returned to the other end, but all their efforts were held by a good Tamar defence.

The second goal came as the result of sound combined play by the Tamar forwards. Lake and Read working together with Sorby, who passed back to Lake. The latter beat Genge with a fast rising shot just as the final whistle was blown.

Charity Match.

It is understood that Sir Shou-son Chow has kindly consented to kick off at the charity match, the Army versus the Rest of the Colony, at Sookunpoo, on Wednesday at 4 p.m.

Hockey.

A fast and interesting game was seen yesterday afternoon at the U.S.R.C. ground, when the Somersets' 2nd. XI defeated the K.O.S.B. 2nd. XI by two goals to one. Teams:

S.L.I.—Rawlings; Hulsh, Davies; Wallace, Leigh, McKenzie; Lovell, Early, Lt. Swayne, Howard, Richardson.

K.O.S.B.—Tester; Todd, Crease; Stewart, McLaughlin, McCann; Foley, Dowry, Belfield, Bell, Belm.

Soon after the start, a break-away from a throw in sent the Somersets away, and Howard shot, for Tester to save well. Still keeping up this pressure, the Somersets provoked a *melee in front of the Borderers' goal*, and shortly afterwards Early scored from a good position. The Borderers got to the other end in a smart and clever run, but Belm was ruled offside. Some good play by the Somersets resulted in their obtaining a second goal through Swayne. Although the Borderers pressed hard for fully ten minutes, godo work by the Somersets backs kept them at bay, and half-time came with the Somersets leading by two goals to nil.

The Borderers were having little of the play in the second half, but a run down by the forwards, and a shot by Dowry from outside the circle hitting the goal-keeper and going in to the net, decreased the lead very luckily. Encouraged by this success, the Borderers kept up some pressure, without scoring, until the whistle for full-time was blown.

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"The new moon—lover come back to me," (Hammerstein and Romberg),
"The new moon—one kiss," Evelyn Laye and Chorus with Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra.
"Virginia—Selection Parts 1 and 2," (Waller and Tunbridge), London Theatre Orchestra.
7.48 p.m. Weather report.
9.00-10.30 p.m. Chinese programme.
10.30 p.m. News bulletin.

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"Martial Moments—March Medley—Parts 1 and 2," (arr. Winter); The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.
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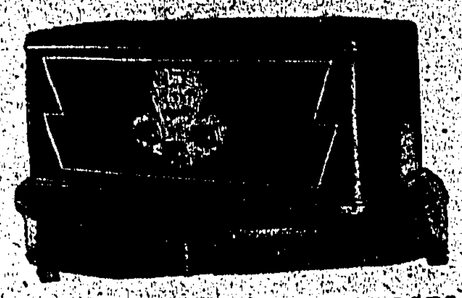

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CHAPTER XXX.

Dinner that Monday evening began as a rather ghastly affair, due largely to Cora's first appearance in the boarding house family since her arrest the day before as a material witness again Emil Sevier. Much as Dundee admitted her courage, there was no doubt that Cora Barker was like a death's head at the feast. And feast it was, for Mrs. Rhodes, whether from fear of losing her boarders or out of the very real kindness of her heart, had outdone herself on the menu.

Making a brave effort to ignore the unusually large crowd of "mealers" at the little tables scattered throughout the dining room, the regular boarders tried to chat normally with Cora, expressing their sympathy only with their eyes. But it was no go. Cora's tragic, suddenly old face brooded sombrely over the food she scarcely touched, and the only answers she gave were monosyllables—until Bert Magnus entered the room, a little late.

Dundee wished the two could have had that first moment of meeting after the tragedy alone, unwatched by the curious though sympathetic eyes of all their fellow-boarders. By accident or design, the chair next to Cora's had been left vacant, and now Bert Magnus slipped into it. Without actually seeing the clasp, Dundee was sure that their hands—Bert's unscrippled left and Cora's right—met beneath the table cloth, and there was no doubt at all of the fond, faithful light in Bert's eyes as they clung to the woman's tragic dark ones.

It was Jewel Briggs who broke the tension. "I tell you, folks! Let's all walk down to the Little Queen with Cora and see the movie, just to show everybody that we're her friends. Bert, you walk with Cora; Walter with Norma, and I'll let Mr. Dundee escort me, if he's ve-ry good!"

Dundee's impulse was to refuse, tactfully, but as he was about to speak he caught a strange expression on Cora Barker's face. Her eyes were blazing upon Jewel Briggs and her nostrils were flaring ominously, but she said nothing, and Jewel seemed to be blissfully unaware of the searing glance. But Cora's enmity toward Jewel Briggs required investigating. Besides, he could do little sleuthing until the next day, when the boarders would again be out of the house.

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"Am I going to be left out of this little pleasure jaunt?" Mr. Lawrence Sharp boomed.

"Remember you're a married man, you old sheik!" Jewel laughed. "But since Mrs. Sharp is still out of town, suppose you beau Daisy—if she'll take a chance."

Daisy Shepherd, whose broad, jolly face was entirely free of any embarrassment, although she had been unmercifully teased about her speedy return to "Mother" Rhodes' good meals, seconded Jewel's suggestion heartily and so the party was arranged.

At a quarter to seven the four couples sallied forth from the Rhodes House, rather self-conscious of their championshp of a woman under arrest, but talking and laughing at a great rate to hide their embarrassment. Before they had walked a block the pairing off had taken place, and Dundee found Jewel Briggs clinging to his arm. A few paces ahead of them, Walter and Norma strolled together slowly, the man's head bent worshipfully toward the hatless, bronze-curl-crowned head of the girl. But that would not bear thinking of, and Dundee resolutely turned his attention to Jewel's chatter.

"Of course I'm terribly sorry for her, but isn't it lovely how this awful murder has brought them so close together?" Jewel was saying eagerly.

"Miss Paige and Mr. Styles?" Dundee asked, slightly puzzled.

"Oh, dear! You weren't listening!" Jewel cried reproachfully. "Of course I don't mean Norma and Walter. They were engaged before the murder. I do believe you're half in love with Norma already, you bad boy! Is my heart going to be broken all over again?"

"Not by me!" Dundee laughed, and hugged her arm close to his side. He might as well play up. . . "Whom did you mean then, Jewel?"

"Cora and Bert, of course, stupid! I'm going to ask Cora to let me be maid of honour at her wedding—if you'll be Bert's best man!"

"Are they engaged?"

"I don't suppose he's asked her yet, but a blind man could see that he will. I've always heard that sympathy is love's first cousin. Now if only I could get into some terrible trouble—"

"I rather imagine you will, if you ask Cora to let you be her bridesmaid," Dundee chuckled. "You don't seem to be her favourite girl friend at the moment—"

"Oh, as soon as she and Bert are really engaged she'll get over that," Jewel retorted happily. "You see, Precious, I used to have a crush on Bert myself and Cora's still just a little mite jealous. I wasn't really in love with him, but I was sorta thrilled over him being a writer and—all that. He's written the grandest scenario! Cora heard me offer to copy it for him, or let him dictate to me, straight to the machine, you know, because I'm an awfully fast stenographer, and it made her wild. Not that she had the least cause to be really jealous! Bert's not the type of man I could love in a big way, not tall and handsome—like you! And he is sort of—well—"

"Boring?" Dundee suggested, laughing delightedly.

"Well, yes, because I'm not a bit literary myself, and a girl does want to talk about something besides stories and travelling. Do you blame me, Precious?"

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Bonnie Dundee reassured her with great gravity, and proceeded to talk on the subject most interesting to Miss Jewel Briggs—herself. But at the entrance to the Little Queen Theatre Jewel hung back, to revert to the topic of Cora's jealousy.

"You really believe me when I say Cora had no cause to be jealous of me with Bert, don't you, Bonnie?" she coaxed, for she had managed very skilfully to extract the secret of the young detective's nickname.

"Of course, Jewel," Dundee assured her gravely.

"Besides," she rushed on eagerly, "when I was flirting with Bert—oh, in a nice way, you understand!—Emil Sevier was still at the Rhodes House and we all thought Cora had no eyes for anyone but him. Goodness knows she let him make love to her enough! I thought Bert would be too slow for Cora. Honest, Bonnie, I don't believe that flat-tyre ever kissed a girl in his life! And how Cora could fall for him, after—"

But at that interesting moment the rest of the party gaily demanded that the two loiterers join them. There was only time for Jewel to whisper urgently:

"Promise me you won't let Cora tell you any jealous old fibs on me, won't you, Bonnie Dundee?"

He gave the promise readily enough, but he knew he had no intention of keeping it, if Cora Barker had any real information which she might feel impelled to give the "new boarder." For—Jewel Briggs was really worried. Why? Why?

Although he and Jewel walked home together after the first show, leaving Bert to see the picture twice and then escort Cora home when her work as pianist was finished, Dundee was no nearer to finding the answer to that question than when they had entered the theatre.

He was still tantalized by this new and probably trivial mystery when he set about his work upon the major mystery the next morning—a mystery still very little nearer solution than it had been two hours after Mrs. Hogarth's murder. A cold chill of fear settled upon the young detective's characteristic optimism. He who had been so sure of a penchant for criminology that he had stubbornly blasted his father's hopes of making a surgeon of him! Still, he told himself miserably, he had not been altogether useless. It was he who had hit the trail of Dan Griffin, he, really, who had sent Lieutenant Strawn to Belton, Mo. But what if, as Strawn stubbornly insited, that was a wild goose chase?"

Well—he shrugged, as he hung up the receiver of his private telephone to police headquarters—if he was failing, he was in good company. The police system of the entire state had as yet failed to turn up the slightest clue to the whereabouts of their own pet suspect—the elusive Sevier. But that reflection, instead of raising Dundee's spirits, depressed them the more. Where the devil was Sevier—and why? If Sevier were as innocent of the actual murder as Dundee believed him to be, why in the name of all that was sane and reasonable was Sevier in hiding? Certainly no other crime had been unearthed against him; therefore his extreme invisibility must have some connexion with the Hogarth case. But what? What?

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These questions nagged at the young detective's brain like buzzing mosquitoes which one slaps at but never hits, as he doggedly followed his programme of searching every room in the Rhodes House. To make matters worse, Bonnie felt like a meddlesome busybody as he pawed through the highly innocent and uninteresting possessions of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sharp. For one breathless moment he thought the treasure hunt was ended when he found a thick package of what felt like greenbacks, tucked away between Mrs. Sharp's decorous nightgowns. But the greenbacks proved to be cigar coupons.

"Now what?" Dundee asked himself, after he had made a very thorough job of the big, pleasant room.

"Guess I'd better tackle the fair Tilda's domicile next. Poor Tilda's so dumb she wouldn't have got wise to it yet if the murderer had tucked his stolen fortune into one of her apron pockets."

But if Tilda could have overlooked such a dubious present, Dundee's keen young eyes would have discovered it—and it was certainly not to be found in that cheerless little room. The chamermaid's cheap finery—10-cent-store perfume, face powder, lipstick, glass beads—touched the too susceptible young detective's heart.

There was no use wasting time on Daisy Shephord's room, he told himself, since Daisy had returned to it the night before after a 30-hours sojourn in a hotel since the murder. But he might as well have a look, on general principles . . .

Daisy had unpacked her wardrobe trunk the night before, he discovered, but the lazy Dusty had not yet removed it to the basement storeroom. The two halves stood slightly ajar, and Dundee was about to turn away from its obvious emptiness when he caught sight of an envelope lying face downward in the shoe compartment. There was no letter inside, but the address was: "Miss Daisy Shepherd, care of Marcus-Crane's Department Store, Hamilton,—."

Odd that this letter should not have come to the boarding house, where Daisy's other mail was delivered, as he had already observed. The postmarks were Chicago, June 27 and Hamilton, June 28. In the upper left hand corner was the picture and name of a Chicago hotel, and below the name of the hotel was inscribed in ink the name of the writer, A. B. Wheeler.

Wheeler. Wheeler! Dundee frowned. He had heard that name very recently, but when, where, in what connexion?

(To be Continued.)

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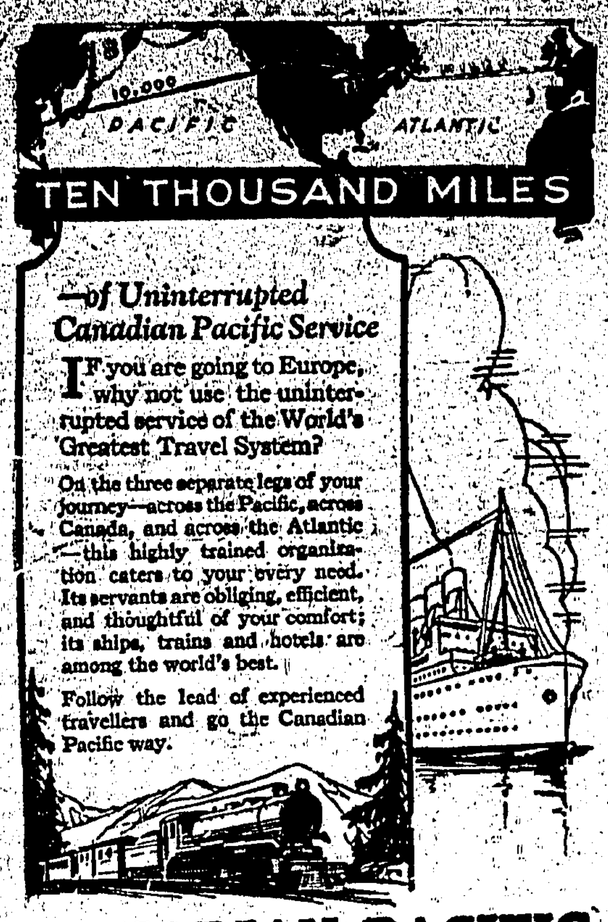

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London, Dec. 30.

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CHINESE MEETING.

MERCHANTS URGED TO USE GREGORIAN CALENDAR.

There was a small attendance at the monthly meeting of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon with Mr. Li Yick-mui presiding as Chairman and Mr. Chen Houng-pak as Secretary to the gathering, others participating including Messrs. Ip Lau-chuen, Ho Iu, Lai Tai-kai and some others.

The Secretary read out some letters from local and foreign firms seeking business connexions.

The adoption of the Gregorian Calendar by the Chinese firms instead of the Lunar Calendar also formed the topic of discussion when Mr. Ho Iu suggested that the Chamber of Commerce should cancel the Chinese New Year tea-party and have that meeting held to-morrow, the New Year's Day. The speaker said that as the Chinese Chamber of Commerce had advertised recently in the Chinese newspapers advising Chinese firms to use the Gregorian Calendar beginning from 1930 it was only logical that the New Year celebration, organised by the Chamber annually, should be held on the first day of the Gregorian Year and not the first day of the Lunar Year.

On account of the limited time left to make it possible to hold the New Year celebration on Wednesday, the meeting finally decided to hold the tea-party on the first day of the Lunar Year, calling the party the celebration of the Spring Festival.

Tree Cutting.

Another point of interest to come before the meeting was the letter addressed to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce by the authorities in the New Territories forbidding the Chinese villagers to damage or to cut their firewood from the forests in Saikung and Shatin, New Territories. The meeting yesterday resolved to refer the matter to the Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council.

EAST INDIES UNREST.

DUTCH AUTHORITIES CARRY OUT EXTENSIVE RAIDS.

Batavia, Dec. 30.

Owing to the receipt of evidence that the "Association of Nationalists of Indonesia" intended to organise trouble at the New Year, the authorities have carried out wholesale raids throughout the Dutch East Indies, including native political centres at Bandoeng, Semarang and Sourabaya.

Quantities of documents were seized and examined, without result.

Many natives have been detained, and several prominent agitators arrested. It has been proved that Bandoeng is the chief centre of propaganda, but the Government action has apparently cut this off at the source.

The situation is quiet.—*Reuter.*

MINE EXPLOSION.

FATAL MISHAP IN A JAPANESE PIT.

Tokyo, Dec. 30.

Fifty-one men were trapped as the result of an explosion in the Mitsui coal mine, in Fukuoka prefecture, this afternoon.

Forty-four have been brought out so far, of whom two are dead and forty-two seriously injured.—*Reuter.*

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	Kutsang	Tues. 11th Feb at 7 a.m.
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Both nights proved a great success, and all present thoroughly enjoyed themselves. A specially printed menu card was provided, with the toasts of "The King," "Captain and Officers," "C.P.O. Cavill," and "All Topmen" inscribed inside. A most successful social evening followed.

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The Captain and Officers of the Cornwall will give a fancy dress ball on board the ship on Friday, January 3, admission being strictly by invitation.

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There was a very small attendance at the Crown Lands' Office of the P.W.D. yesterday, when the weekly sale of Crown Lands was held. Only one buyer appeared, and it was on his solitary bid that the one lot put up for sale was disposed of.

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MARINERS WARNED OF THE YUEN LEE WRECK.

A Harbour Notification issued by the Acting Harbour Master of Shanghai under date of December 16 referring to the wreck of the s.s. Yuen Leo, sunk off Public Gardens, Whangpoo River, is as follows:

"The flagstaff on the roof of the Harbour Office, Customs Jetty, in line with the third flagstaff on the roof of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building counting from the Custom House, leads just clear of the fairway side of the wreck.

Mariners should not drop anchor on or near this line when within the area between the northern end of the Peking Road Pontoon and 100 feet north of the Public Garden Tide Gauge."

INVESTITURE.

VICE-DMIRAL SIR A. K. WAISTELL, K.C.B.

Invitations have been issued from Government House for an Investiture which is to take place there on Friday next, January 3rd.

Vice-Admiral Sir A. K. Waistell, who was decorated with the K. C. B. (Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath) in the last Birthday honours, will be invested.

The ceremony takes place at 11 a.m.

OLD YEAR'S DEATH.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY TO FLASH THE TIME.

We are informed by Mr. T. F. Claxton, the Director of the Royal Observatory, that the time signals usually given at 9 p.m. on the Observatory wireless mast will be repeated at midnight to-night.

The last signal will indicate the close of the year.

WATER DRAIN BURSTS.

INFLOW FROM SEA TO HONGKONG HOTEL SITE.

An unusually large amount of water on the site of the new Gloucester Building, on the old Hongkong Hotel land, attracted much attention yesterday and, on enquiry, it was found that a storm water drain had burst and that water from the sea was finding its way into the site.

That there was no cause for alarm and that the damage was very slight was the information obtained by our representative who visited the scene yesterday afternoon, and found workmen engaged in preventing the water from flowing in when the tide began to rise.

It appears that during Sunday night the storm water drain which runs along Des Voeux Road on the south side of the road had burst, an 18 inch pipe giving way and causing water to flow on to the Gloucester Building site.

It was explained that the enormous vibration caused by the driving of piles by the Hongkong Excavation and Pile Driving Co. Ltd., had somewhat disturbed the surrounding land, with the result that the drain had weakened and eventually gave way.

Yesterday, workmen were on the scene repairing the damage, but it was noticed that already some small amount of water had found its way to the site, the fact that the digging work has now reached the level of the sea contributing towards the inflow of water from the sea.

The first efforts of the workmen were to seal the drain so as to prevent the inflow of water from the sea and then to commence laying new pipes in the place of the broken ones. It is expected that the work will be completed this morning.

Although some water had already flowed on to the site no damage was caused as a result of the bursting of the drain.

LATE MISS O'DELL.

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The funeral of Miss Ada Lillian O'Dell took place at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, and was conducted by the Rev. W. Walton Rogers. Those present included Mr. L. E. Lammert (brother-in-law) and Mrs. L. E. Lammert, Mr. G. P. Lammert and Mr. H. A. Lammert, Miss H. D. Sawyer, Mrs. C. B. Shann, Miss Walters, Miss Wentworth, Miss Bedford, Miss Margery Mason, Miss Tylor, Miss Clark, Mrs. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. R. Baldwin, Mr. J. A. M. Graca, Capt. C. B. Riggs, Mr. John Hennessey Seth, Mr. A. W. Tickle and Mr. C. R. M. Young.

Among the numerous floral tributes were the following:—"Dad and Mum," "Florence and Lionel," "Elsie and Arthur," "Frank and Ida," "Bert, Florence and Alfred," "Elsie, Ernie, Isa and Margery," "Tom and Mary," "Percy and Nellie," "Rene and Bertie," "Maud and Frank," "Charlie and Alice," "George, Geoffrey and Eileen." Others were from the Diocesan Girls' School Resident Staff, Diocesan Girls' School Day Staff, Class Eight, Miss Drury and Sisters at the Matilda Hospital, Mak Tat and Mak Pak-ting.

MACAO WEDDING.

PROMINENT FAMILIES UNITED.

Macao, Dec. 29.

A very pretty wedding took place at Macao this morning. The bridegroom was Mr. Jose Nolasco da Silva, eldest son of Mr. P. M. N. da Silva, the well-known Hongkong sharebroker, and Mrs. Silva, of Hongkong, and the bride was Miss Maria Alice Menezes Ribeiro, elder daughter of the late Lieut. A. Ribeiro, of the Portuguese navy, and of Mrs. Celeste Menezes Ribeiro, of Macao. The wedding marks the union of two of the most prominent Macao families. Mr. Jose Nolasco da Silva is a grandson of the late Mr. Pedro Nolasco da Silva, a celebrated sinologue, who was honoured by his government in many ways. Miss Ribeiro is a great granddaughter of the late Count Senana Fernandes, of Macao, who took a prominent part in the development of relations between Portugal and China many years ago.

Mr. Jose Nolasco da Silva is one of the masters at the Pedro Nolasco Commercial School, at Macao, founded for the purpose of providing a sound commercial education for the young Portuguese at Macao, and which the late Mr. Pedro Nolasco did much to place on a sound footing.

The wedding took place at the Cathedral at Macao, the Very Rev. Father Joao Pedrazzini officiating. Mr. Henrique Nolasco da Silva was best man for the bridegroom and Mr. Luiz Nolasco da Silva was best man for the bride. The bride was given away by her uncle, Mr. Fernando Menezes. The bridesmaids were the Misses Guida Nolasco, Olga Basto, Aninha Basto, Mercedes Fonseca, Mercedes Xavier, and Carmen Garcia. Miss Bertha da Silva acted as maid of honour, and Miss Laura Nolasco Silva as flower-girl. Master Fernando Ribeiro was page.

The Rev. Father Jacob Lau officiated at the organ.

Among the many guests in the church were a large number of friends from Hongkong, and in addition to His Excellency the Governor of Macao many of the most prominent residents of Macao were also present.

After the ceremony at the church a reception was held at the residence of Mrs. Menezes Ribeiro, the bride's mother, where, following a short speech by Mr. Luiz Nolasco da Silva, the health of the young couple was drunk.

The bride's dress, ordered specially from France by Madame Chiffon of Hongkong, was of white moiree, trimmed with velvet appliqué flowers at the belt and train. The veil of fine tulle was set off with pearls and orange blossoms. The going away dress was of egg-yellow crepe-de-chine, with hat to match.

The mother was dressed in brown crepe-de-chine trimmed with grey lace, and the bridesmaids and maid of honour were in peach taffeta. The flower girl was dressed in white georgette, and the page was dressed in black velvet trimmed with white lace.

The cake was provided by Mac's Cafeteria, of Hongkong, and the bouquet, of white roses, was supplied by the Clover Flower Shop of Hongkong.

TIGER REPORTED.

COW MAULED IN THE NEW TERRITORIES.

Enquiries made at Police Headquarters last night for confirmation of a report that a tiger had made its appearance at Fung Yuen Village, Taipo, and attacked a cow which died from loss of blood after the tiger had been frightened away, resulted in a statement to the effect that a cow had been attacked by some animal, but it was not known if the attacker was a tiger as no one saw it. No official report was available as Police Stations had not been circularised.

The story goes that a woman saw an animal, which she took to be a tiger, attack a cow which was grazing about two miles outside the village. In her fright she screamed, frightening the animal, which ran away up a nearby hill. Sergt. Tuckett and a party of police visited the spot and found five-clawed paw marks on the dying cow's shoulders, these measuring six and a half inches across, and pointing to the beast being most probably a tiger. The Police cast round in the hope of finding some sort of spoor, but without success as the ground in the vicinity is hard.

In 1915 a tiger was shot in the New Territories, this being the only actual case on record, and it caused the death of Sergt. Groucher and two Indian constables before it was killed. Since then, there have been several reports of tigers being seen.

If a tiger is, in fact, at large, it has probably been driven from the hills further inland by the recent cold weather.

DRIVER PITIED.

FORCED TO BREAK LAW TO OBEY EMPLOYER.

Out of consideration for a chauffeur who allowed his master's daughter to drive his car, Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday fined the girl, Miss Wong Kwai-hing $10, her father, Mr. Wong Siu-kwong, $5, and cautioned the driver.

The original summons was taken out against Mr. Wong for allowing a car owned by him to be driven by an unlicensed driver, while a further summons was taken out against Miss Wong for driving the vehicle without a license. Both parties are at present absent from the Colony. The driver of the car appeared before the magistrate yesterday and intimated his position, pointing out that if he had not allowed the girl to drive the car his position might have been jeopardised. Sub-Inspector Nicol, prosecuting, pointed out that defendant was in an extremely difficult position, to which Mr. Whyte Smith rejoined that his master was probably paying the fines.

After Sub-Inspector Nicol had informed His Worship that any penalty would prejudice defendant's prospects of future employment, Mr. Whyte Smith inflicted the penalties mentioned above.

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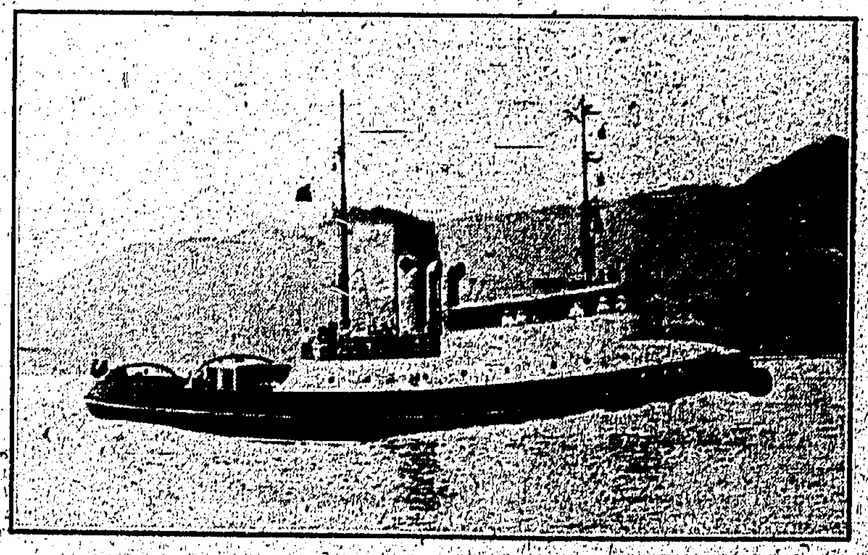

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SHIRALA	7,841	8th Feb.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
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LANGUAGE ISSUE IN TURKEY.

OPPOSITION TO BILL NOW CONTEMPLATED.

A BREACH OF TREATY.

Constantinople, Dec. 30.

Vigorous protests by the alien communities in Turkey are certain to be made regarding a new Bill which has been drafted by the Turkish Government and which is certain of adoption, affecting the whole of the children residing in Turkey.

The Bill provides that all Turkish children, even though they be of Greek, Armenian, or Jewish extraction, must attend Turkish Primary schools between the ages of seven and twelve.

The Measure is bound to raise a great outcry among the very large Christian and Non-Moslem minorities, whose rights with regard to language instruction are specifically guaranteed under the Treaty of Lausanne.

Strenuous opposition is also anticipated from foreign Missions and other educational establishments in Turkey.—*Reuter.*

GANDHI INTERVENES AS PEACEMAKER.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Dominion Status automatically without periodical enquiries.

Party Combinations?

Sir Tej Sapru went on to urge that the round-table conference should be called not later than May this year.

The debate is still going on.

The Rt. Hon. V. S. Srinivasa Satri, the author of Self-Government for India under the British Flag, will later move, and Mrs. Annie Besant will second, a resolution (approved by the Subjects Committee) urging the combination of all parties in India to secure a Constitution based on Dominion Status, subject to the necessary safeguards for the period of transition.

Gandhi's Blunders.

Later.

In the course of the debate on Sir Tej Sapru's resolution, which was seconded by Sir Chiman Lal Sitalvad (?) who paid a high tribute to Lord Irwin, and referring to the Gandhi resolution at the all-India Congress, said that it passed his imagination how Gandhi, who previously committed the Himalayan Blunder could think of committing a greater one. (Gandhi confessed it was the "Himalayan Blunder" when serious disturbances occurred in 1921 and 1922 in connexion with the non-co-operation movement despite the advice to maintain a non-violent attitude. Gandhi suspended the campaign when he saw it getting out of hand).

Unanimous Favour.

Several prominent leaders including the Rt. Hon. Srinivasa Sastri and Mrs. Annie Besant supported the resolution which was carried unanimously.

Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru was appointed chairman of a committee aimed at bringing into common deliberation all parties having the ideal of Dominion Status.—*Reuter.*

STORM HAVOC IN MAURITIUS.

PORT LOUIS SUFFERS HEAVY DAMAGE.

London, Dec. 30.

A terrific thunderstorm burst over the town of Port Louis, to-day, accompanied by torrential rains which wreaked havoc among the sugar plantations, many of which have suffered severe damage.

A message from Port Louis says that part of the town and the railway have been inundated.

Railway traffic in a part of North Island has been suspended and the poor of Port Louis are suffering from exposure and destitution.—*Reuter.*

BIGGEST SUBMARINE IN GALE.

COMING TO CHINA STATION VERY SOON.

London, Dec. 30.

The new submarine Odin, the largest vessel of her type in the world, has arrived at Portland from Chatham, after encountering a fierce gale *en route.*

She will carry out her trials before proceding to the China Station in a month's time.—*Reuter.*

ENORMOUS BLAZE IN CANTON.

COMMERCIAL PRESS LOSSES.

GODOWNS GUTTED IN BIG CONFLAGRATION.

GOOD BRIGADE WORK.

Canton, Dec. 29.

An enormous conflagration occurred here yesterday morning when a very old building originally built as a granary, but now occupied as the godowns of the Commercial Press Company, was completely destroyed by fire. This building is situated in Sai Woo Kai, just behind the North Wing Hon Maloo. Fire broke out about 10.30 a.m. and up to the moment it has not been possible to ascertain the cause.

Fortunately the Central Fire Station is quite near to the spot and the Fire Brigade were very promptly on the scene, and though they were not able to save the building, they did some very efficient preventive work and did not allow the flames to spread to neighbouring buildings.

Huge Damage.

Large stocks of books, mostly foreign, were destroyed and the damage is altogether probably not far short of half a million dollars. It is not known here what insurance was in force on the [illegible] and on the stocks, as it is believed to have been covered in Shanghai.

It will be recalled that the Commercial Press godowns in Shanghai were also recently destroyed by fire, the damage on that occasion being put at over a million dollars.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

Big Crowd Gathers.

The *Canton Gazette*, reporting on the outbreak, says that immediately after the flames were seen, Captain Chan Muk-heaung with his Brigade arrived on the scene with the new Magirus engine and pumping machines and the new Extension ladders. Spectacular efforts of the Brigade were witnessed by over three hundred people who soon gathered around Wing Hon Maloo by the entrance of Sai Woo Street. Over 1,000 feet of hose were used and all the fire-fighting forces in the City turned out to deal with the situation.

The old granary is a very large building specially constructed in the old days to store grain and food products for relief purposes, and since granaries have become things of the past, the place could be used for no other purpose than for storage.

The Commercial Press Co. have rented this building for some time to serve as their warehouse and one of the small houses adjoining was the employees' quarters, where, it is said, the fire originated, after the inmates had gone to work in the shop at 9 a.m.

Half Of Granary Gone.

There were altogether ten houses in the ill-fated granary which the Commercial Press have been using until recently when the Municipality gave them notice to return half of the premises to accommodate the Municipal Girl's Normal School which is situate at Yuet Siou Shu Yuen by the side of the granary. All the stocks on Nos. 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 godowns had been removed to Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4. No. 5 was the hostel.

According to one of the officials of the Company, the stock which was destroyed consisted mostly of valuable books in foreign languages, and it was "lucky" in a way that the destruction occurred at this time of the year, when the schools have already opened, and considerable purchases had been made by the students otherwise the losses would have been greater, and the call for books could not have been met.

The firefighters were at the time when the fire commenced, preparing for their Saturday Dress Parade, and therefore their response to the call was very prompt. Captain Chan Muk Heung personally supervised his men and perfect order was maintained by the policy nearby.

The following passengers arrived from Singapore by the s.s. Tamba Maru to-day:—Mr. J. Guild Wood, Mrs. L. C. Wood, Miss Norma Jean, Miss Betty, Master Martin David, Mr. N.A. Lilley, Mr. P.J. Martin, Miss A. Ruggles, Mr. A.M. Mitchell, Mr. Crawford, Mrs. Nowled Crawford, Mr. S. Watanabe, Mr. R. Baba, Mr. K. Fukugawa, Mr. T. Tojyo, Mr. K. Wada and Mr. P. Hemandas.

AMERICAN EXPORT STATISTICS.

RAILWAY REVENUE HIGHEST FOR TEN YEARS.

POPULATION GROWTH.

Washington, Dec. 30.

United States exports for the first nine months of 1929 total G.$3,844,000,000, or slightly over 8 per cent. above the total of the corresponding period last year, according to a report issued by the Foreign Commerce Department of the Chamber of Commerce.

Automobiles parts and accessories valued at G.$455,000,000 head the list, showing an increase of 22.1 per cent. This is followed by unmanufactured cotton, gasolene, refined copper and agricultural machinery.

The sales of unmanufactured cotton abroad amounted to G$444,000,000, a decline of 14.9 per cent. compared with the first nine months of 1928.

The operating income of important American railways during the past year, on the basis of a preliminary report by the American Railway Association, totalled $256,400,000, representing a return of 4.99 per cent., this being the highest within a period of ten years.

Statistics compiled by the National Bureau of Economic Research show that the population of the Continental United States has increased by 4,299,000 to 119,305,000 during the ten years ended on July 1st, 1928.—*Reuter's American Service.*

HIGH JINKS AT THE K.F.C.

TIME-TABLE FOR NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS.

A thoroughly enjoyable entertainment will be afforded Kowloon residents to-morrow when the Kowloon Football Club indulges in High Jinks as is the invariable rule on New Year's Day. The time-table follows:

10.15 a.m. Sir Cumference and Lady de Tong will arrive at the Star Ferry. They will be escorted to the Kowloon Football Club by the Motor-Cycle Footballers.

10.30 a.m. Full procession of carnival sprites and what-not will leave the Club for a tour of the village.

11 a.m. Married v. Single match will commence, Mr. E. Cock, kicking-off.

11.20 a.m. Half-time.

11.30 a.m. Motor-cycle Football begins.

12.10 p.m. Married v. Single match will be resumed after a much-needed rest.

12.30 p.m. Presentation of prizes and raffles.

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VARIED COLOURS AND ROOMY INTERIORS.

Detroit, Dec. 30.

It is announced that the Ford Motor Car Company is introducing new bodies for its cars throughout the United States.

The bodies, which will have roomier interiors and larger fenders, will be in a variety of new colours and will have "added sweep of line."

The Company plans to spend £6,000,000 in plant development during the coming year.—*Reuter's American Service.*

MILITARY ACTIVITY AT WUCHOW.

TRENCHES AND BARBED WIRE ENTANGLEMENTS.

Wuchow, Dec. 29.

Further movements by Cantonese troops are taking place, many having started to proceed up river.

Some trench-digging and erection of barbed wire entanglements is taking place on the hills around Wuchow.

FINE LATER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone remains central over North China. Fresh monsoon along the south-east coast of China and over the North China Sea. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—"N.E. winds, fresh; overcast, with drizzle or mist at first; finer later."

The P. & O. s.s. Mantua from Hongkong, arrived at London on the 29th December at 2 p.m.

THE PICTURE FOR THE NEW YEAR
AT THE QUEEN'S TO-DAY TO THURSDAY At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.30

AT THE WORLD TO-DAY & TO-MORROW At 2.30, 5.15, 7.15 & 9.20.

AT THE STAR TO-DAY TO THURSDAY At 5.30 & 9.30.